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AT THE PORTAL

Miss F. R. Havergal

STANDING at the portal
Of the opening year,
Words of comfort meet us,
Hushing every fear;
Spoken through the silence
By our Father's voice,
Tender, strong and faithful,
Making us rejoice:

For the year before us,
Oh, what rich supplies!
For the poor and needy
Living streams shall rise;
For the sad and sinful
Shall his grace abound;
For the faint and feeble
Perfect strength be found.

"I, the Lord, am with thee—
Be thou not afraid;
I will help and strengthen—
Be thou not dismayed.
Yea, I will uphold thee
With my own right hand;
Thou art called and chosen
In my sight to stand."

He will never fail us,
He will not forsake;
His eternal covenant
He will never break;
Resting on his promises
What have we to fear?
God is all-sufficient
For the coming year.

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Editorial

BEAUTY OF THE NEW YEAR

Woe to him who smiles not over a cradle, and weeps not over a tomb. He who has never tried the companionship of a little child has carelessly passed by one of the greatest pleasures of life, as one passes a rare flower without plucking it or knowing its value. The gleeful laugh of happy children is the best home music, and the graceful figures of childhood are the best statuary. We are all kings and queens in the cradle, and each babe is a new marvel, a new miracle.

The new year is like a little babe. It is full of possibility, opportunity, and has a character to be developed. It is like unto a grain of mustard seed, very small in its beginnings but its fruitage may be large and strong. Man has been endowed with a unique faculty of leaving off the failures of the past and pressing on toward the future with a trust that he can build better. This is a daily occurrence, but especially as we enter a new year we hope for a better output of service. First, we think of God and his righteousness, then we confess our shortcomings, and finally we pledge to do the best we can by God's help. These three steps may be called worship. We unconsciously perform these three stages when we pray.

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MISSIONS PROVE NON-MATERALISM OF WEST

That "the missionary stands as the one uniformly unselfish contact between the white and the non-white worlds," was the opinion expressed by Stanley High, who has just returned from a year's trip through mission fields. "The Missionary," said Mr. High, "is the incarnation of the fact that there is more in western civilization than material interests and that the Occident has not rejected the program of world helpfulness and redemption laid down by Jesus Christ.

"In Africa it is not within our power to determine whether or not the African native will be educated. His education will go on despite all that Christians may do or fail to do. His school system is constructed out of every contact with the white man. We can close down mission schools in the mining territories, but brothels and saloons will stay open and in them the native will be educated. We can shut churches for lack of support, but those who come to exploit and to teach, by their example, the gospel of greed will not be driven out. The continent of Africa is teeming with millions of Africans who have set their feet on a road

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toward civilization—of some sort. We cannot stop them. We can only determine what sort of a civilization theirs will be—pagan, or modeled after the ideals of Jesus.

India's Civilization Overrated

"Africa is a continent that, exclusive of Egypt, is without a civilization. Our Christian task is to make a Christian civilization. India is also a continent—but with a very ancient civilization and very ancient religions. In my opinion no civilization in modern times has been so greatly overrated as that of India. Considered in the light of its claims and of the hopelessness of its people, Indian civilization and Indian religions are more colossal failures than any other with which we are familiar. And among no people is there greater need than among the people of India for the panacea represented by Jesus Christ.

"On the day when we brought Jesus into India's bazaars and overcrowded streets we began a revolution in that land. Involved in his message is the destruction of the ancient social structure of Hinduism and the substitution, for it, of a structure of interhuman helpfulness. Many high-caste Hindus, nurtured in indifference, resent this Christian intrusion upon their age-long quiet. But the masses of the people of that land have recognized, in the Christian missionary, a ministry of the sort which Hinduism, through the centuries, has been impotent to provide."

MISSIONARY ATLAS FOR LIVE PASTORS

In 1925 the Institute of Social and Religious Research published the "World Missionary Atlas."

This volume tells the story of Protestant missions throughout the world. Here is the latest and fullest mission presentation available. The pages are large, numbering 252, the tables and maps many. The Atlas originally sold for ten dollars, which price did not begin to cover its cost. The publishers recently announced that they would close out the edition at the special price of one dollar and seventy-five cents. The Gish Fund Committee, believing that at least some of our active ministers would appreciate this Atlas, has ordered fifty copies. Ministers who desire a copy may secure it from the Brethren Publishing House at the special price of one dollar until the fifty copies are all taken.—J. E. Miller, Secretary Gish Fund Committee, Elgin, Ill.

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General Mission Board Meeting

The regular winter meeting of the General Mission Board was held in Elgin Dec. 14 and 15. All members of the Board were present, namely, Otho Winger, chairman; A. P. Blough, vice chairman; H. H. Nye, Levi Garst, and J. B. Emmert. Missionaries present were Emma Horning, J. Homer Bright and wife, and Winnie Cripe from China; Chalmer Shull, Fred Hollenberg, and J. E. Wagoner from India; Clarence Heckman and wife from Africa.

The Board regretted very much that on account of illness Bro. Adam Ebey may not be able to return to India this January as he had contemplated.

At the 1927 Conference at Hershey, Pa., the Tract Examining Committee, appointed by Conference, was discontinued and the work of tracts was turned over to the General Mission Board. A committee appointed by the Board at a previous meeting made a report looking toward the enlargement of our tract activities. The committee contemplates making a complete survey as to the suitability of the tracts now in print and the developing of other tracts which may be needed for present-day conditions. The Board will be glad to receive suggestions for the strengthening of our tract work.

A missionary and his wife were appointed to go to Sweden in 1928. Another good brother and his wife, whose application for foreign service was before us, was not appointed, for lack of funds to send them to the field.

The Gish Committee, which makes the selection of books to be furnished to ministers at reduced rates, was reëlected as follows: J. W. Lear and Edward Frantz, their periods to expire in 1929 and 1930 respectively; Bro. J. E. Miller, the third member of the Committee, continues until the end of 1928.

A few years ago the Board planned to coöperate with the Shantung University in China by placing one of our members on the staff of the school. Bro. M. L. Cassady was

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Too Poor to Accept Salvation

Indian Agriculture and the Word of God

I. W. MOOMAW

GOD has always shown a marked desire for bringing his Word to the people of the open country. Early in the beginning, when he thought it wise to clear the face of the earth by flood, he chose Noah to save just enough live stock to set himself up as a farmer. Later, the coming of the Son of God was first made known to shepherds who "watched their flock by night." Again, as Jesus preached to the farmers and tradesmen of Galilee he spoke freely to them about the soil, and illustrated his sermons with events taken from rural life.

The very nature of the farmer's occupation tends to make him sincere, open-minded and capable of accepting new truth, whereas, the conceit of ancient learning and high birth have often made it difficult for men to accept the Word of God. Jesus evidently had this in mind when he prayed, "I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that thou hast concealed these things from the wise and hast revealed them unto babes." This, too, may explain in part why our early missionaries to India first addressed themselves to the task of bringing the Gospel to the people of the open country.

India is capable of great agricultural development. She has the people and the land. Great areas are uncultivated and still larger areas are unimproved. Her people are peculiarly adapted to farming. Being frugal, patient and enduring, they are able to make the most of small means. Yet the pathetic state of the Indian cultivator is well known, and to see the poverty and pain that come to the rural people is almost enough to break a man's heart.

Perhaps the first thing that I ever learned about salvation was that it was free. In fact, we used to sing "Salvation is free." But here we meet hundreds of good neighbors who are too poor even to accept salvation that is free. They would keep the Sabbath and attend to spiritual affairs, but they are bound down by a system of agricultural serfdom which seeks to bleed from their life all that is beautiful and worthwhile. There are children in great numbers, but they, too, are too poor to go to school, even though it is free. Among the large class of farm laborers one is impressed by a sad lack of almost every useful commodity. Only human life is here in abundance.

What kind of a religion, then, can suc-

School boys learning the secrets of the soil ceed in such an economy? What kind of a religion deserves to succeed? If any religion is to touch the large rural centers of India deeply in a moral or spiritual way, it will probably be the religion whose members by reason of their higher spiritual capacity will be able to keep better live stock, raise better crops, maintain happier homes and healthier children.

Whether or not a man has a soul that is highly specialized, he at least has a body to care for. This body, given by God, may, under proper treatment, become the temple of his Spirit. We preach about eternal life. Just what can that mean to a man whose life on this side is yielding him little, save oppression, abuse and pain? We like to think of heaven as a home. But what can that mean to a man who lives his life and dies without ever feeling the security or comfort of a simple home? So missionaries have often observed that the surest approach to a poor man's soul may be through ministering to his material and social needs.

The agricultural problem of India is a large one. And the approach is not clearly understood, save by an occasional winter tourist. With one voice critics cry out against the "wooden stick," referring to the farmer's poor plow. But men of experience are not half so concerned about the "wooden stick" as they are about a certain set of circumstances which make it nearly impossible for the farmer to use anything else at present. Those who would lend a hand to Indian agriculture and to the rural church will need to walk in the furrow with the farmer himself. In fact, they will learn a number of things from him.

In one or two small laboratories research has begun its work. During the past two decades the government has been making sincere efforts in the way of seed selection, live-stock breeding and soil fertility. Yet because of caste conflict and illiteracy many a sincere effort falls short of its goal and the men who suffer most are seldom reached. Government Coöperative Credit Banks are doing much for men of moderate capital. But the little fellow who often needs credit most is usually ruled out. Means of transportation and marketing have advanced to a point where famines as extensive as those of the past century will probably not recur.

Our mission has expressed its interest in agriculture largely through schools. From the very beginning, even when work and "learning" were not good companions, our mission held to its policy of a small workshop and a garden for each boarding school. In Bulsar, due to the lack of land, carpentry and tailoring have been stressed more than agriculture, although the boys there have always had a good school garden. In the Vyara school the boys all come from the surrounding district. So it is exceedingly fitting that they receive training in agriculture along with their common-school course. Vali, and Vyara, are sent to Anklesvar, best farm land of western India, and the school there has always raised good crops.

According to our present plan all the boys who complete the sixth standard in Bulsar, Vali, and Vyara, are sent to Anklesvar, where they may continue their school work under an agricultural environment. This year at Anklesvar a small beginning has been made in blacksmithing and poultry husbandry. Also a Farm Boys' Coöperative Bank has been in operation since January, 1927. It is a small concern; deposits range from four cents to about four dollars and shares sell for eight cents each. But the boys transact their small business in the same manner as the larger Government Coöperative Banks, and it is hoped that after several years of such experience they will be able to carry the blessings of coöperative credit back to their own people.

While our mission as a rule has had some attractive gardens, the boys have usually considered farming a good thing—to stay away from. This is not because they dislike work, but rather because they can see no opportunity in farming. They do not know the possibilities of farming as a religious and patriotic obligation, even though the returns may not be great during their day. In India, one of the greatest agricultural countries on earth, agriculture is not taught in the public schools. Only during the past three years several small agriculture classes have been opened and are now struggling along handicapped by the lack of trained teachers and local support. This year for the first time agriculture is being used as a subject in our mission schools at Vyara and at Anklesvar.

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The Story of Lakhali

J. M. BLOUGH

Three Christians in the Lakhali church

LAKHALI is a village nine miles southeast of Vyara, located in a beautiful plain just beyond a low ridge of hills. I first heard of Lakhali from the boys in our boarding school, as three brothers in the school called it their home. We became interested in their community, especially so because the oldest one prayed so earnestly that Christian work might be started in his home village. Until then there was no mission work done there except occasional visits from some Christian teacher. At vacation time these boys would go home and then come back and tell how the oldest brother would preach to his people, and how some of the village folks would talk ugly to them and reprimand them for attending a Christian school. Even the stepfather in the home was opposed to their coming to our school, yet they came regularly, and all became Christians at Vyara.

During 1924 one of our teachers in a neighboring village made frequent visits to this village and did some effective personal work, with the result that at the end of the year the headman of Lakhali and a neighbor became Christians. This increased our interest, and so early in 1925 we moved our tent there and spent a week among the people, holding day and night meetings and visiting in their homes. While we were there it was arranged to have baptism, to show the people the ordinance by which persons are received into the Christian church. Those who were baptized were brought there from a neighboring village where we had camped just before.

By this time sufficient interest had been created for the village to ask for a Christian school, as there was no school anywhere near. In looking around for a suitable man for that place we decided to send the oldest one of the three brothers whose home was there. He was a teacher now and married, too, and a very earnest evangelist. It was also his great wish and prayer to be sent back to work in his own home town, that he might lead his own people to Christ. They had opposed him and ridiculed him, but he longed for the chance to teach them about our Lord. In March, 1926, Manilal Maiji, the lame teacher, who walks with a crutch, moved back to his home village to become their teacher and leader in righteousness. The people built him a small house, suitable for a school, in the front yard of a kind villager. And the teacher went to work.

In a short time he worked up a fine day school, and in addition, a night school also, in which adults were taught religion especially. The little schoolroom was crowded and the teacher was happy and busy. He taught the people to observe Sunday (which is not easy to do), and so started Sunday-school and Sunday services. The supervisor reported that the work was running nicely and the teacher urged us to come for another camp. He said there were a number of people getting ready for baptism, and we encouraged him to teach them well, so they would fully understand before they were baptized.

With eager hearts and earnest prayers we pitched our tent there in January, 1927, for the second time. We received a hearty welcome. We had good helpers with us and we had splendid meetings. The school-children had learned to sing Christian songs, so that was a great asset in the meetings. Music and singing are indispensable in evangelistic services. The school-children went with us night after night to all the meetings, even in other villages near by. They were a happy lot, glad that they could help in the work of the Lord. Enthusiasm ran high.

The day for baptism was set and the candidates began to arrive and their examination began. As they were accepted their names were written down. Fifteen, twenty, and still they came. Men and women, boys and girls, until finally thirty were accepted who had been taught by this lame teacher. We praised the Lord. Seldom have we had greater joy than when we baptized those fine people in the presence of their heathen neighbors. And think of it! The teacher's own mother and his wife's mother were among the baptized. The love feast that evening was a feast of love and joy indeed.

The accompanying picture shows three sisters who are Christians as well as their husbands. The eldest two and their husbands were baptized that day. The youngest was educated in the Girls' Boarding School at Vyara, and has since been married to the lame teacher's younger brother, and now they are also living at home, and he is conducting a night school in another village close by. And so the work of the Lord goes forward. Pray for the young church at Lakhali, especially for the five men who have been set apart as leaders to manage the work.

Vyara, via Surat, India.

Making Friends with Moslems

ANNA B. MOW

IN order to win Mohammedans our first work is making friends. Among Miss Miller's girls there are three children from a wealthy Mohammedan family, living near the mission compound. Their daughter, Mehri, wanted some one to help her in her English. She is fifteen years old. So, soon after we came to Jalalpor, last fall, Miss Eliza took me over to call on them, and I offered my services.

Each school day Mehri came over to our house for English. At first she read from her Third Reader. After that we used the first book of Clayton's "Graded Sunday School Lessons." The lessons on God's care are especially appropriate for Moslems. Mehri had not been taught to despise Jesus, so when we came to the stories about him Mehri was much pleased. One day she said, "If Jesus should come to Jalalpor we would all love him!" For that we pray.

Many Mohammedans heard that I was teaching Mehri, and they stopped me on the road and asked me to call on them. Others called at the bungalow first. Some friends from Surat and Bombay visited these Mohammedans, and while visiting they heard about us and then came to see us. One day twenty-eight came in to call on us. When we go to their homes they always offer us food and we must eat something. That morning I had nothing ready to serve except raisins which kind California friends supply us with each year, so I offered them raisins "from America," and they were delighted with them. Even American raisins can help to make friends.

But Lois and Joseph, our children, aged three and one, are the best introducers we have. India loves children, and we almost never take them out without having people stop to talk to us.

Bro. Mow goes into the shops, and there has made friends with many men. In fact, it seems that all we need to do is to be accessible and the Mohammedans are willing to lead out in the first steps of friendship. Near by is a dargah, or tomb, of a great Moslem "saint" and missionary of centuries ago. Many people come there to meditate. They welcome the white man also when he stops in.

Manekbai is my Bible woman. Almost daily she has been going out, making friends with many of the poor people, and some of these have already called on us.

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The Anklesvar School of Practical Arts

BEULAH M. WOODS

THREE years ago this month (January, 1925) there appeared an article by Elsie Shickel in the Missionary Visitor, entitled "Educating Girls in India." She told the origin of and the plans for the school which is the subject of this sketch. At the time that was written the school had been going on only a few months, but now the first class has finished the two-year course and its members are at work and another group is being trained. So it can be properly called a "going institution" and its work and some few results may be reviewed.

In some readers' minds there may be the question, "Why do they call this a new school? I thought there had been a girls' boarding school at Anklesvar for years." The boarding school which takes girls through the elementary school course is going on at Anklesvar, but the school of practical arts is as distinct an institution as a high school. However, it is a very different advanced school, and does not aim at college entrance, but has a course designed to fit the girls for the life they will have to lead and for some form of Christian service.

Up to a few months ago there was no special place for the practical arts classes. The elementary school is overflowing with its own work. The practical arts classes met in the house, on verandas, or any place where they could find room. True, a building for this school has been planned a long time, but it was not thought wise to use money for this in the time of such financial shortage. It happened that in the spring the Moomaw family moved out of the second bungalow, which is located on the compound of the girls' school, and so this bungalow was temporarily turned into a practical arts school building. The large main room is used for chapel, study hall, library, and a place for smaller meetings; the back veranda and kitchen constitute a workshop, where various sorts of handwork are done; and the other rooms are classrooms and offices. We agree with the man who said, "Johns Hopkins on one end of a log and a student on the other constitute a university," in that there are many more important things than buildings in any school, but anyone who would try sitting out on a log one class period during an Indian monsoon season would decide that a place to house the school is important, after all. Our present arrangement is only temporary, and when this bungalow shall be again needed for missionaries, we will require a school building, which we want to be as Indian as possible, and on which the girls themselves will do a good deal of the labor.

There are some schools in Gujarat—run by other missions and by government—which have trained many of our teachers. However, we realize that not all the girls who need further training ought to be teachers, and that even those who will teach in our boarding schools and village schools need something besides the normal training which they get in these training schools. We feel that they need to have their own characters developed, not only for themselves, but so they will be able by training and example, to bring up the children under them "in the nurture and admonition of the Lord," and not only to teach them "readin', 'ritin' and 'rithmetic." We believe that in these formative years a study of the Bible, with special emphasis on thinking and applying, rather than memory, will be of lifelong help to them. We know that the girls who teach in our boarding school do so only for a few years till they are married, and that those who teach in village schools usually do so as assistants to their husbands who have charge of the school and the Christian work of the village. Therefore, in any case, the girl's chief life work is that of model wife and mother to the community round about. What a challenge to the Christian girls of India! The sad thing is that many who have been trained according to the government routine find themselves unable to meet such a challenge, or have been educated in an atmosphere where labor and homely tasks are considered too low for the educated person to "soil" his or her hands with.

It is on this matter of the dignity of labor

The girls carried away the dirt when the foundation was dug for the new boarding school

that a great deal of our course is built, and it is on this point that we often meet severe criticism and opposition. Some of the parents, who theoretically desire that their children be of service and know how to work and keep their homes and families healthy and happy, object to the practical working out of the desired end. It hurts their so called "honor" to see their children building walks, whitewashing walls and doing other things which they consider are the proper things for coolies and laborers to do, but beneath their dignity. One mother complained that she sent her daughter away to school, but that she had to spend most of her time on housekeeping there. She evidently referred to the cooking, sewing, household sanitation and such courses which we try to teach according to the principle that one learns to do by doing and not by what he reads out of a textbook or may have written in his notebook. However, we remember that Hampton Institute had this very same problem and opposition to meet but, being in the right, they persevered and accomplished great things for the people of the South. It is cheering, though, to notice that the girls coöperate with a will in such a scheme, and after they are really in the work they see its advantages and believe in it. Limitation of space and the reader's patience prevent the enumerating of all subjects which revolve around actual doing of work, and but a few can be mentioned. Household management and accounts, along with food and cooking studies and household sanitation, give excellent opportunities for real doing, since the girls live in family groups, have a certain amount of money to spend (a part of which they have to earn), and are required to give account of that. A store which the girls run, not only for their own members but for the elementary-school girls, gives an arithmetic training such as they never received in the grades. The ones responsible know that if the accounts do not balance, it is up to them to find the mistake or to pay the deficit. The grade they get in their ethics course is determined fully as much by their conduct and attitudes throughout the year as by the strictly class-room work. The work in Sunday-school teacher training, story-telling, child study, etc., is supplemented by their work as teachers and officers, especially in the primary department of the Sunday-school and by being in charge of the various Sunday afternoon meetings. The education classes get their observation and practice teaching, under supervision, in the elementary school which is on the ground. In many ways these two schools are mutually helpful to each other. When a cottage for the boarding school was being built, the girls carried away the dirt as men dug for the foundation, and later they carried bricks and made floors. The practical arts girls made bulletin boards for the grade rooms by covering frames made by the boys of the vocational training school; they painted blackboards, oiled woodwork, whitewashed walls, selected and helped to frame pictures for the school, and are now knitting mats to sit on in school. (Our school is not cumbered with desks or chairs, for all arrange themselves in the true Indian fashion, sitting on the floor.) The girls take care of the building, arrange flowers, open the doors in the morning and lock them at night. I am sure it would cheer the hearts of many of our rural people in America to see the girls raising cotton and working their garden plots. They are responsible for the cost of their gardens, and whatever profit there is may be taken by them, either in vegetables or money, thus contributing to their living and to their enthusiasm in the work.

There are English classes for those whose work is satisfactory in other subjects and who desire it. Some are realizing what a vast fund of material there is in English in the subjects they are interested in, and are trying to learn it so as to be able to make use of these books and magazines. Of course, these English classes are taught by the missionaries, for we feel that it is essential that they get their English from one who speaks it as her native tongue.

We realize the truth of the adage that "all work and no play makes Jack a dull boy," only we would alter it to "All work and no play makes Shanti an old woman before her time." We have courses in plays and games, music, appreciation of art (with emphasis on the Indian phases of all of these). While they play and enjoy themselves they are getting a distinct and valuable type of education.

At various times groups of the girls go out into villages at the time that evangelistic efforts are being made there. Two aims are realized by this. The girls are becoming better acquainted with village life, and thus being fitted to go back there to work and live. Incidentally they often teach or set an example as well as learn. Of course the girls carried the water from the village well for their own work, and the village women expressed surprise, tinctured with admiration, that "educated women" would do such "low" work as water carrying. They show that work is compatible with education and true dignity. The second thing that this going to the village does is to furnish practical work in evangelization. They realize that presenting Christ to the people is their business as well as the missionaries'. Especially they sing and give programs at the times of meeting and do personal work in the homes. The missionaries who do the regular evangelistic work would bring in situations they met to discuss with the girls. Thus it brings their mission study work close home, to supplement the world-wide study they get in class.

Several months ago the first group completed their two years' work, and it is interesting to note the large place they are already filling in the mission. Two are teachers of regular standards (grades) in the elementary school here, and another is the special sewing teacher. They are helping to get the practical arts spirit spread into the grades, the students, and the other teachers. The sewing teacher likes to use her spare time in making dresses for the children in the Baby Home. One is married to a Vyara boy and she is teaching in the Vyara Girls' Boarding School. Another is married to a young man who is the mission worker in a hill village, and she has a big opportunity for Christian service there. Just at present she and her husband are attending the Bible School at Bulsar. Another is assisting Miss Shickel in the industrial work, and one of the above, who is now teaching in the grades, is being prepared to take over some of the practical arts courses next year when Miss Shickel has to go home on furlough.

It will be apparent to those familiar with educational work that a job of this kind, carried on according to the "doing method," is a much harder job, and one requiring much more supervision, than the method of allowing pupils to listen to sermonlike teaching and to memorize the words of a textbook, which seems to be the accepted way in the Orient. Getting these girls really to take responsibility and to think and reason is a job so big and so hard that we often feel overwhelmed by it, epecially when it often works out far below our ideals, and we are ready to exclaim, "Must I oversee everything, from the use of periods in notebooks

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A Boys' Boarding School

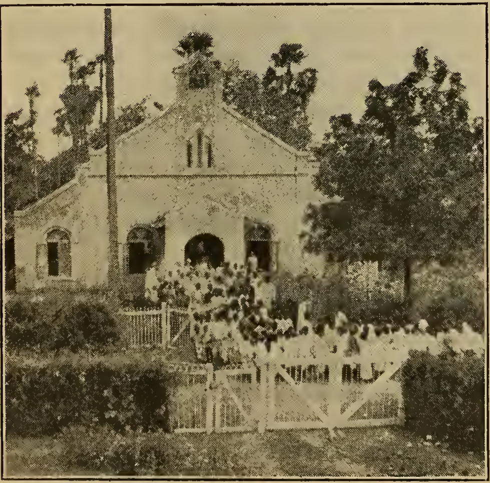
ANNA E. LICHTY

SHALL we visit the Boys' Boarding School at Vali today? Very well, the bell is now ringing for chapel. Let us go. Then, at 9 o'clock, immediately following chapel, we shall visit the school. We can see the boarding quarters this evening.

That was the head master who read the scripture and offered prayer. He has held this position five years in the Vali school. He is also a deacon in the church.

Now, let us see the beginners' class first. These young teachers of the first two classes came to us just this year. Having received one year of training at the Anklesvar Mission Training School, they are much interested in trying out the new methods they were taught. The project idea is carried out in these two classes. The children respond heartily and going to school is their chief delight.

We have about twenty-nine day pupils, of whom sixteen are little girls. The sixth standard, which corresponds to the seventh grade in our schools at home, is taught by the head master. When the boys are promoted to the seventh standard they go to Anklesvar where, in connection with the Vocational Training School, they also do carpentry or field work along with their school work.



At the close of church service at Vali. The boarding school boys are in the lead

It is three o'clock and school will be dismissed. Now let us go to the boarding quarters. Here in this long line of rooms is where the boys live. About twelve boys are accommodated in each room. One of the larger boys serves as monitor over each group. The house master has general charge over the boys and their work, and his wife supervises the cooking and the mending of their clothes.

Here at Vali we have fields and a large garden for the boys' industrial training as farmers. They spend three hours each evening after school in field and garden work—planting, cultivating or reaping. The chief field crops are rice, cotton, and kaffir corn. Fruit and vegetables are grown in their gardens by irrigation. Most of the boys come from farms and will return to farm work after they leave school.

There is also a course in elementary carpentry given to the boys of the fifth and sixth standards. They are divided into two groups and take their turns alternately, a week at a time.

"At six o'clock the bell rings for the boys to leave their work and to prepare for their evening meal. At seven o'clock they come together for night school, which is simply an hour and a half of supervised study in preparation of lessons for the next day. At eight-thirty books are put away, a hymn is sung, prayers offered and one hundred boys retire to their rooms for the night.

Whence come these boys and whither are they bound? With few exceptions all the boys are of Bhil (a backward people) origin. About thirty are orphans. Some are of Christian and some of non-Christian parentage. Some come from near-by villages; others from remote places in the hills.

Here at the mission, under daily religious instruction, all come to learn of Jesus, their Savior, and all accept him as such when old enough. The Bible is taught in the school a half hour each afternoon. The boys take great delight in conducting "gayan subbas"—proclaiming the Gospel in song and testimony. The beat of drum and other musical

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Educating the Children of Missionaries

MARY D. BLICKENSTAFF

Our missionaries' children who attend the Woodstock school

"IF we go to India, where will our children go to school?" This question has been asked by many prospective missionaries, and many have found the answer in "Woodstock."

Woodstock School was established seventy-five years ago by the East India Company, that famous trading organization which played such an important part in Britain's early relations with India. In 1873 the school was bought by the American Presbyterian Mission, becoming distinctly a missionary enterprise. In the last few years, other American missions have become fully or partially coöperating bodies in the management of the school, and have supplied American teachers on the staff.

Our mission has had from five to ten children in attendance at Woodstock for the last several years, but only recently has it become a partially coöperating mission. Next year Miss Susan Stoner (whose picture appeared in the December Visitor) will be our teacher in the school. This will mean much to the mission, and parents will feel that they have some one there who can take a personal interest in their children.

Woodstock School is located near Landour and Mussoorie in the Himalayan Mountains. To reach the school, there is the long journey of two nights and a day by train, then a ride of fourteen miles by automobile to the foot of the mountains, which rise very precipitately. The remaining eight miles are accomplished either on horseback or in a chair carried by four coolies, and the journey is ended in the cool, balmy air, more than 7,000 feet above sea level. Here the school is situated in a beautifully-wooded estate which extends seemingly more up and down than right and left.

There are three commodious and well-ventilated buildings, in two of which are classrooms for all students, and dormitories for girls and lady teachers. The third is the boys' hostel. In addition to accommodating the boys, it contains quarters for the principal and his family, a large swimming tank, a manual training room and a gymnasium.

The work given in the school extends from kindergarten through high school, with a curriculum varied to meet the needs of American children or those who remain in India or proceed to England to continue their education. In connection with the school, there is also the Teachers' Training College, which offers a three-year course. The school has a strong music department, with its head mistress and several assistant teachers. The orchestra is well organized and contributes much to the life of the school.

The student body is made up of English-speaking children without discrimination as to race or religion. During 1927 there was a total of 303 in the school, of whom 212 were children of missionaries. Among the remaining ninety-one were English children domiciled in India, Mohammedans, Hindus, and Parsis.

One of the chief aims of the institution is to develop Christian character, and all pupils are required to attend daily prayers and Bible classes, and the school church on Sundays. Special emphasis is placed upon religious education, a privilege not generally accorded to public-school children in America.

Missionaries are most grateful for such a school in beautiful, healthful surroundings, where their children may be away from the heat of the plains. Still, the separations are hard to bear, and none would venture to say that the home life provided by the best of institutions could equal that provided by the parents in Christian homes.

Many missionary mothers spend a few months of each year near the school. The children welcome the change to a home with mother, and they become day pupils while she is there. During this time a wide-awake Parent Teachers' Association carries on its activities, which are of great benefit to all concerned. An annual event looked forward to with much pleasure by all is the school sale which is put on by the association. The proceeds of the past sales have been applied to manual training and playground equipment, hospital equipment, and various needs of school and college.

It is hard to estimate the good and far-reaching influence emanating from such an institution as Woodstock School. Many of its former pupils have become missionaries and teachers, or have established Christian homes throughout the length and breadth of India.

Under the blessing of God may the school produce still greater forces for the promotion of Christ's Kingdom in this needy land.

Our Little Perseverer

IDA C. SHUMAKER

"GO back home, I tell you! Do you hear? You dare NOT go to the Khergam Boarding School! You must serve me! What did I raise you for since your parents died!" So spake the uncle of our little Sonibai when she joined a group of three little girls on their way to the Jesus School. All her pleadings were in vain. She was punished severely and sent to her uncle's house. She knew where these little girls would spend the night; under cover of darkness she stole away and came to the place where the teacher was caring for the little girls in his own village home till they could start in the early morning for Khergam. Soon her uncle missed her, and he came for her and gave her a severe beating and again sent her to his home. Later in the night she again stole away. She found the three little girls sound asleep. She lay down on the ground between them and fell fast asleep. In the early morning her uncle came with his cart, for he was to take these three little girls with the teacher to Khergam. He supposed that little Sonibai was sound asleep in his own house, for, had he not given her severe punishment? He stole away as quietly as he could, so she would not find out he was going, lest he have another scene.

When the master teacher awoke he went to call the three little girls, for the cart had come and it was time to be off. Imagine his surprise when he came and found four little girls instead of three! Before he recovered from his surprise the fourth little girl had already gone to the cart and was in the act of climbing up when the teacher saw her. The cart driver was in front of the cart and was looking to see if the oxen were properly yoked, so he did not notice what was going on at the back of the cart. The teacher was shocked when he saw that the fourth child was the same little Sonibai. He knew he would not dare take her along, for the driver was her uncle. So he told her to go back home before her uncle would punish her again. She began to sob. Her grief was so great, for she had thus far suffered in silence, that her pent-up feelings burst forth in this heartrending sob. By this time the driver was ready to start, so he came to see if the girls were in the cart, and came upon this touching scene. Did he relent and allow this heartbroken little niece of his to join the group of little girls going to Khergam? Indeed, NO! Instead, he again punished her severely and sent her home in the darkness.

The three little girls were now in the cart with the teacher and the cart started on its way to Khergam. As they drove on and on

Sonibai

they came to a clearing in the forest. A dark object loomed up in the distance. Could it be a tiger? Their hearts quaked with fear and dread. They drove on silently and with a nameless terror in their hearts. As they neared this silent figure, now in the deep shadow, in the middle of the cart road, they were dumbfounded to find this little Sonibai. She had darted through the dense forest jungle by a short-cut route and overtook and then ran ahead of the cart going to Khergam. There she stood, with her arms folded across her beating heart, in this silent, mute, but effective attitude. This was too much for her uncle. His heart melted like wax, as she stood there, pleading in silence. He broke down and wept as a child, as he said, "Go, my child, go to the Jesus school; I can no longer say thee nay!" Can you imagine the unbounded joy of this little sufferer as she quickly climbed up into the cart, and, with a sigh of perfect contentment she cuddled down with the other girls and fell fast asleep? She never woke up till the cart came into Khergam. She was soon settled in the boarding school and is one of the happiest girls there. She was baptized on June 11, and enters into the spirit of worship very beautifully.

When vacation time came, she had the privilege of spending her vacation in her uncle's house; but she asked that she be allowed to stay in the boarding school during vacation, for she feared if she returned to her uncle's house again she might not get back to Khergam. So she remained in the school. Our little Sonibai has taught us many lessons. She is as "good as gold," for that is what her name means. God continue to use her in his service.

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THE GENERAL MISSION BOARD MEETING

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the appointee. On account of present conditions in China, and the financial situation, this contemplated appointment has been withdrawn.

The governments of China, in an attempt to bring the public-school system of that land into control of the government, have planned a system of registration for all schools. Because of the Board's desire to cooperate with the authorities in China in every way possible, without sacrificing principle, the Board appointed a committee to draw up a statement regarding our attitude in registering mission schools with the government.

The India mission presented the Board with a new plan for carrying on evangelistic work in the Gujerati area. This plan is an experiment by which more responsibilities will be placed on the shoulders of the Indian Christians. The Board approved the plan.

A doctor and his wife were tentatively approved for service in India, but they will not be ready to go for a couple of years.

The Board approved an appropriation of $2,000, to be set aside for the summer pastor work during 1928. Requests from several needy places for loans to aid in building new churchhouses were declined for want of money in the loan fund.

Bro. J. M. Blough, missionary to India, who comes on furlough this spring, was appointed to make the missionary address at the missionary convocation, Oakland Conference.

THE ANKLESVAR SCHOOL OF PRACTICAL ARTS

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to the sweeping of floors in the girls' rooms?" However, we sincerely believe that not until people put their whole lives into the details of the business of providing a new education by a rational method in India, will there be the changes in education, character, and life that we are hoping for. Another thing that makes a great deal of extra work for us is that in almost no subject of our curriculum is there a suitable Gujarati textbook. The case of education will illustrate. Probably in this subject there are more books in the vernacular (Indian language) than in the others, but so far I have seen none that a modern American educator would want to put exclusively into the hands of his pupils as a textbook. The teacher has to make her course and then put it into Gujarati as best she can, and then the ordinary teacher's work is only begun. Afterwards comes the interesting but tedious part of finding out how it works when the girls put it into practice. This often shows us that we must teach it again in a different way, for we know, "If it doesn't work it isn't right." Perhaps this explanation may answer the question, which seems to be in some people's minds, as to why we need "so many Miss Sahibs" at Anklesvar. True, four of us are assigned to work here, but when one counts out the furlough periods it leaves only three at any one time, and sometimes (as will soon happen) for six or eight months at a stretch there are only two. It is to be especially remembered that in addition to teaching most of the practical arts classes and doing the other work in connection with it, we also have the hostel (boarding school) and school supervision for this boarding school, which is the largest in the mission, and a part of Sadie Miller's work is village evangelism, which takes her away from the school work during the cool season. At various times we have had the efficient help of the "Madame Sahibs"—Long, Miller, and Moomaw—which we especially appreciated in courses about the home, motherhood, and the care of children. When he was here, Mr. Miller taught the girls their agriculture. The number of pupils is not large as yet, but it takes as much work to prepare for a few as for many. From the nature of our work and the necessity of making our own courses, and the very different methods that we insist upon, it is evident that the heavy part of the load cannot, as yet, be taken by Indian teachers. However, we are glad for the help of Marthabai, who used to be head mistress in our elementary school. She is able to give part time from her other work. We also have great hope for the one being trained now. She has come up through the course herself and understands the aims and attitudes better than an outsider could.

Anyone who has been diligent and long-suffering enough to read this far has demonstrated his interest in our problems. Come over to see us. If you don't stay long enough to learn the language, we can probably give you a job teaching English or at least overseeing the mending.

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A BOYS' BOARDING SCHOOL

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instruments add to the attraction of their meeting. This also trains them for Christian service.

Some boys remain in school only a few years, yet they return to their village and people better prepared for intelligent citizenship and service. Others finish their school work here, go on for higher training and become leaders in the church and community. These boys are our future hope for winning Rajpipla State for Christ.

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INDIAN AGRICULTURE AND THE WORD OF GOD

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One of the most religious desires a missionary can have is for a day when large numbers of farm boys and girls will sit down together and study the agriculture of their own communities. They will go home and talk with their parents. The parents will begin to inquire what it all means. Communities will reach up. The Indian farm home will no longer be the symbol of barrenness and need. Then, whether or not it comes during your lifetime and mine, there will be a new day for Indian agriculture and the Word of God.

Anklesvar.

Notes from Our Fields

CHINA

Lulu U. Coffman

A Chinese view of the Shansi-Moukden clash. Like a bolt out of a clear sky, China's premier fence-rider, Gov. Yen Hsi Shan, of Shansi, suddenly launched his armies by two routes against Peking, the stronghold of the Moukden war lord, Chang Tso Lin. By this move, Yen has definitely cast in his lot with the Nationalists. This clash is only the forerunner of a much larger struggle between the armed forces of the Nationalists and the armies of Chang Tso Lin. In cooperation with Shansi, General Feng Yu Hsiang, known as the Christian general, and his men are striking out from Honan on three fronts, against Chang Tso Lin, known as China's war lord.

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Pingting

Bro. Crumpacker, who just visited an outlying district, says that he was received much as he was before his last furlough. The attitude and conduct of the people in the cities is greatly changed, but the rural places are much the same as ever. For example, there is a marked difference around town when there are big movements of soldiers or rumors of disturbances. Formerly the people at such times became quickly excited and feverishly afraid; now they seem to take it as a matter of course and go about their work much as though nothing unusual was taking place. The men of means are the ones who are now on the alert. Every bit of exciting news is caught up by them, for they would lose heavily in an emergency.

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The Pingting church held its third quarterly council a few days ago, and Bro. Crumpacker remarked how much more the members take part in the business than they did three years ago. Self-reliance and initiative are very much more in evidence. The officers were elected for the ensuing year. The regular standing committees were chosen and assigned to their work. We have a committee to take care of the calls which are made for help to the poor. They reported their finances, and it is gratifying to know that there have been few calls for help in the past year, and thus they have a nice balance in the treasury. Since the schools are in session our churchhouse is almost filled at our regular Sunday morning services. The very fact that a lot of the students come seems to make others want to come.

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Bro. Yin, Wei Ch'iu Lan, and Mary Schaeffer went to Niang Tzu Kuan and spent nearly two weeks there. The work among the women at that place is rather slow and they felt that very little was accomplished, though many are friendly and like to listen to the messages. On September 15 Bro. Yin baptized nine men, after having given them a week's special instruction. Some of these were soldiers who had been coming to the chapel for some time to learn more of the Gospel. Some had heard at other places. In Niang Tzu Kuan and the surrounding villages are about twenty Christians. Some have grown cold, while others are very zealous in their Christian life. One man rents a small room and keeps it clean to accommodate anyone who comes to his village to teach. He is a very poor man and has a family to support. We like to see this spirit among the Christians. They are ridiculed a great deal, but true Christianity is respected everywhere, though made an object of jest at times.

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Misses Metzger and Schaeffer find a hearty welcome in the homes of our friends and church members. They report the following testimony from one dear sister: "I wanted to go to the woman's school but my home duties kept me away. However, I was there parts of three years. In that time I read some of the Bible, but not near all. I do enjoy hearing the Word of God, and am never so happy as when some one explains its meaning. The strangest thing is that when I read the portions which I did not read in school, I know the characters and understand them, too. Other books are all confused, but the Bible is clear." Here is a case of the Holy Spirit making known the Book to a believing and hungering soul. She was baptized some years ago and has lived a faithful Christian life.

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Miss Flory writes as follows: "The month of September had the usual number of patients in the hospital, and it seems to me that there is unusual interest in the evangelistic and also in the training school this fall. The patients sit around on the benches in the corridor, reading the little Gospels that the hospital evangelist has given them. Dr. Hsü was called home because of the death of his mother on Sept. 23, and we have been without a doctor since then. The men graduate nurses and myself are doing the best we can to take care of the patients in the hospital, but many things suffer because we can not give them proper care."

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Shou Yang

Our school here has been actively opposed by the local Kuo Min Tang (People's

Party). They threatened to induce the county official to put out an order that all parents who had children in the mission school should call them home. The county official has assured the people that such an order can be given only by the governor, and there is no probability that such an order will be issued. Because of the various rumors being circulated concerning the school, Mr. Nieh, the principal, called a meeting of all the parents and explained the situation to them and they all voiced their willingness and eagerness that their children remain in the school. Everything is going along smoothly again. The Kuo Min Tang has been quiet for the last few weeks, seemingly having spent itself for the time being. If we can judge from various expressions of the merchants and other local people, the party's radical opposition to the mission has not had the sanction of the people as a whole.

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Shortly after her return to the station, Sister Neher, with the Bible woman, Sister Kung, made a trip out to Tsung Ai, one of our outstations, twenty li out. It had been over a year since any women workers had been out there. A week was spent visiting in interested homes in the city and in the homes of Christians in the near-by villages. Everywhere we were heartily welcomed and there seemed to be a real interest in most cases in our message. Oftentimes in a place where the missionary has not been for some time there is more interest in the missionary than in the message, but we felt keenly that this was not true at Tsung Ai. In fact, the interest seemed so good we are planning to go back after the harvest season and open a class for two weeks, give intensive instruction in gospel truths, and teach the women to read the phonetic script. We are hoping for a good-sized class.

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The outlook for women's work here is better than ever before. We feel the Lord is answering prayer, and hearts are more open to the Gospel. As the month closes there are six women reading in their homes, some every day, some several days out of each week. In all these cases the Chinese character is being taught, a little book, "Easy Steps to Great Truths," being used. Two of these women are wives of Christian workers. One of the women, Mrs. Wu, began reading last February and has made remarkable progress. The truths of the book are taking hold on her heart and she is beginning to tell her neighbors what she has learned, pleading with them to turn from their false gods to the one true God. Not only is she concerned about her neighbors, but her heart is burdened for her relatives back in her native village, who are most zealous in their worship of the gods. She said she knew if she could tell them and help them understand about the true God they would make most earnest followers of the Lord Jesus. Pray for this woman, that the Lord may use her in a mighty way to bring others to the Savior she is now just learning to know and love.

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Dr. Hsing is kept very busy. The new buildings, including his residence, are practically completed. If the number of patients increases much more there will be an urgent need for another doctor to assist Dr. Hsing. The hospital, constructed as it is, following more the Chinese ideas of buildings and living conditions, appeals to the local Chinese, and the hospital is growing in the confidence of the people.

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The men evangelists are going ahead with the work in a very fine way. One other of the evangelists has been out in the field most of the month. They report that they find conditions very good.

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INDIA

Ruth Forney Brooks

Vyara

From the girls' school last year nine were married, and ten went to Anklesvar for further training, yet the school enrollment is as large as formerly—80 in number. That is, there are 80 counting the little five-year-old boy who came with his older brother and sister when they entered our boys' and girls' schools, respectively. They are full orphans, so "school is home" to them. "Buddie loves to sit in kindergarten and join in motion songs and the games of numbers and reading. And you ought to hear these kindergartners tell stories! The present kindergarten teacher is a live wire and keeps her twenty-two youngsters joyously busy. She grew up in the school and took her further training at Anklesvar.

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We are thankful for good health (a trite saying, but truly meant when one writes from the Orient). Whooping cough entered the girls' school early in the year, and had it not been for the isolation ward the school would have had a long siege. As it was, only nine were sick and the school work was not seriously hindered. The boys' school of over a hundred needs a similar ward badly.

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Dr. Cottrell gave both the boys' and girls' schools medical inspection, and reported the children's physical condition the best he had found it.

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Matrimonial news finds a place in school notes in India as well as in America. Another wedding has recently been arranged between a Christian man, who owns some land in his village, and one of our girls. His one condition to the proposal was that she be willing to work in the fields, and her reply was that she had "always loved to do such work." So "wedding bells will ring."

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We notice a great readiness on the part of boys and girls to memorize. We are utilizing this in both the boys' and girls' schools for memorization of choice Scripture passages. A fourth of the boys' school has completed the memorization in record time. The girls are finishing their memory work at this time, so the exact number completing memorization has not been ascertained, but there is excellent interest. It is planned to give each a Bible in Gujarati, from the new translation recently completed. Bro. Blough has been working untiringly with members of other missions in this translation. The new edition is due from the press in November.

Flower--Jewel

OLIVE WIDDOWSON

IN Amletha village Natha Hari's wife had been sick for a few days. The husband had begun to think it was something serious and that he had better get medicine from the dispensary for her, when she suddenly died. Her tiny daughter, Fulmerni, only one month old, was left motherless. What to do, how to feed a month old baby! The neighbors said, "It cannot be done, the baby will die." "I cannot let my little Fulmerni die," said the father, so he asked the village Christian teacher if he could put her into the Baby Home. There were about as many small babies as could be well taken care of in the Home, but the Miss Sahib said, "You bring her and if I find she is not sick now we will take her.' When the father brought her we found her a plump, happy baby and thought her name suited her, Fulmerni, Flower-Jewel. For some time she was well and happy. Then both she and little Rahal became sick. Rahal responded to treatment and was soon all right.

Just at this time Fulmerni's new mother in the Home, Bonji-bai, developed trachoma and needed an operation, so she went to Bulsar for operation and treatment. Then little Fulmerni had to adopt another mother, which happened to be the Miss Sahib, the writer of this story. She seemed to get worse. But since the matron in the Home and another helper outside were already at the Bulsar Hospital we could not spare any more women and care for the other babies. Little Fulmerni began to look like a famine baby. When I looked in her face at evening and several times during the night I thought she would not live until morning, and in the morning I would wonder if she would be living until evening. Just two days before Bonji-bai came home Fulmerni took a decided turn for the better and the day her foster mother came Fulmerni was much better. Bonji-bai is our stand-by in the Home. She once said to one of the women to whom I had given an especially undernourished baby, "O Jasoda-bai, your baby has no stomach." Fulmerni looked as if hers had fallen in, for a short time, but she soon began to pick up and now at the age of fifteen months she is one of the heathiest babies in the Home. She is happiest when toddling along beside her foster mother, learning to walk. It is amusing to see her and Rahal and Vali, babies of her age, taking playthings from each other. There are some real Indian yells. Fulmerni is unusual in appearance for an Indian child and one of the Bhil caste, having dark hair, light gray eyes and being rather fair.

Now we trust you have, to some extent, made the acquaintance of one of our little brown flowers. We are anxious that you may have a vital interest in them all.

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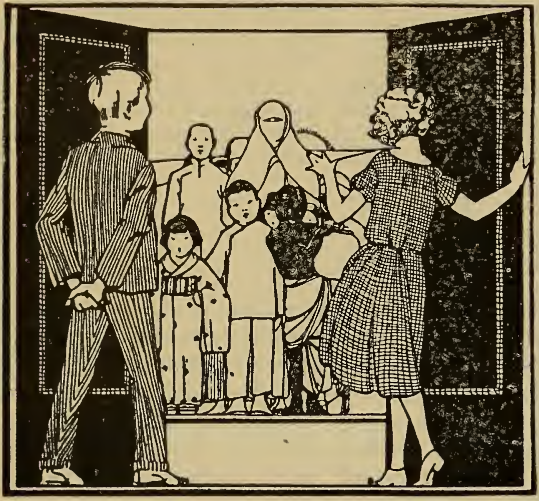
The Share Plan



What Is It?

The Share Plan is a method by which individuals, classes and organizations can provide special support for the mission cause and in return will receive some information from the work for which their money was used. Previous to the introduction of this plan the support of pupils and native workers was urged by the General Mission Board. Under this plan the donors desired to keep in touch with the individuals they were supporting. As the list of pupils and native workers grew larger the task of supplying information became difficult, and finally came to the point where the missionaries reported that they could not furnish information to all these supporters without seriously interfering with their regular missionary activities. The pupils would come and go, some proved to be excellent Christians, while others did not do so well. For the missionaries to report unfavorably concerning a pupil discouraged the folks at home.

Its Points of Merit

1. It provides a method by which the home folks can support a definite missionary project on the field.

2. The supporters will receive frequent letters of information from the field.

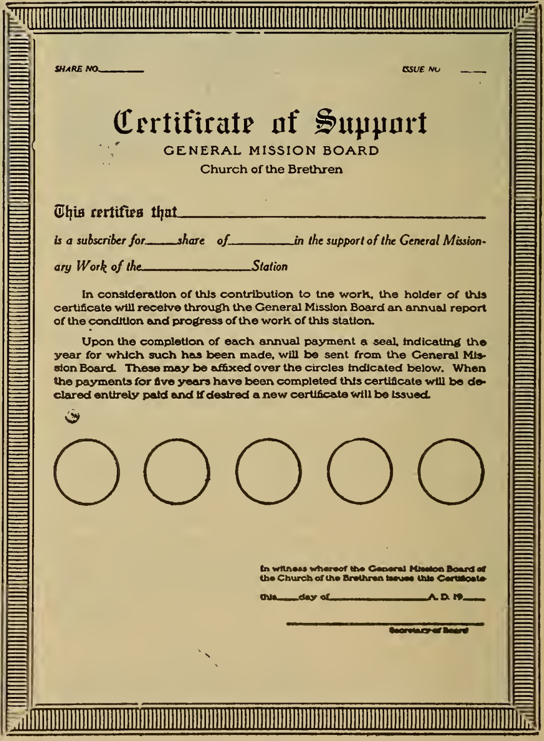
3. Each supporter will receive a nicely printed certificate which may be framed and hung on the wall.

4. The letters from the fields serve as splendid educational material to aid in promoting the cause of missions.

Subscriber Has Choice of Field

The Share Plan of Support is arranged for various types of work and for different fields. In every case letters of information about the work being supported will be sent to the share subscriber. Shares in India and China have been issued for several years. Shares are now also issued from Africa and from the Home Mission Field. You may choose from the following list:

Home Missions. The work supported includes Mountain Work, District Mission Board work, Evangelism in needy places, Student Pastoral Work, Women's Activities,



SHARE NO.______ ISSUE NO ___

Certificate of Support
GENERAL MISSION BOARD
Church of the Brethren

This certifies that ________________________________

is a subscriber for ____ share of __________ in the support of the General Missionary Work of the ________________ Station

In consideration of this contribution to the work, the holder of this certificate will receive through the General Mission Board an annual report of the condition and progress of the work of this station.

Upon the completion of each annual payment a seal, indicating the year for which such has been made, will be sent from the General Mission Board. These may be affixed over the circles indicated below. When the payments for five years have been completed this certificate will be declared entirely paid and if desired a new certificate will be issued.

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In witness whereof the General Mission Board of the Church of the Brethren issues this Certificate

this ____ day of ______________________ A. D. 19____

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Secretary of Board

Brother A. D. Helser Baptizes the First Four Members of Our Church in Africa

the Italian Mission in Brooklyn, N. Y., and aid to growing city churches such as Fort Worth, Tex., Johnson City, Tenn., Portland, Oregon, and Cleveland, Ohio. Other forms of home work are also engaged in. Letters of information from different places are sent to the supporters.

Africa. In 1922 the Africa field was entered by the Church of the Brethren. There are now three stations of work, and letters will be sent, telling of all types of activity at any or all of these stations. The annual cost runs about $25,000.

China.

Ping Ting Station. Shares covering all phases of the work at this station are issued. The letters will tell about the evangelistic, educational, and medical aspects of the station. Missionaries writing these letters are urged to give plenty of information about the Chinese Christian leaders in the church. The cost of carrying on the work at this station is about $8,000 annually.

Liao Chow Boys' School. The last report (1926) showed 132 boys enrolled in the school. Letters for supporters will tell of the progress of this school. The annual cost is about $1,750.

Show Yang Girls' School. The last report showed 21 girls in the school. Letters will tell of the school. The annual cost is about $900. This depends on the enrollment which is larger some years.

India.

Bulsar Station. Money is needed to support all phases of the work at this station. Share letters will tell about the evangelistic, educational, and medical work of the station. An important hospital is located here. The annual cost of maintaining the work at this station is about $19,300.

Anklesvar Girls' School. The last report (1926) showed 161 girls under instruction. A splendid article about girls' school work appears in this Visitor by Beulah Woods. The annual cost is approximately $5,000.

Vyara Boys' School. The last report showed 687 boys under instruction. The school is large, very successful, and both needy and worthy of adequate support. The cost for the past year was around $4,200.

Cost of Shares

Shares will be issued in any amount from $25 up to $500 per year, to be paid annually for five years. Where an individual or group desires to support a share, but cannot pay $25, a smaller share will be issued. Also shares larger than $500 are needed in some of the more expensive fields. Payments may be made at any time, but in order to have a regular system it is suggested that each supporter plan to pay semiannually or quarterly. The shares are issued on a five-year basis, and it is hoped that each subscriber will plan to continue the support for this period of time. However, it is not imperative that the support be continued for five years, and it may be discontinued by giving proper notice to the General Mission Board. Please notice the five circles on the facsimile of the certificate. At the conclusion of each full year's payment a seal with the figures of the calendar year for which the support was given will be sent free, and these should be attached to the certificate. All shares will be issued to begin with a definite calendar year, but they may be subscribed for any time during the year. It is hoped that, whenever possible, the support will be continued for the full five years, as this will give strength and permanency to the mission work. After the five years are concluded a new share from another station will be issued if desired, or the same station may be supported for another five years.

Framing the Certificate

In order that the certificate may be of the most value, especially to classes, Sunday-schools and other organizations, the certificate should be framed. It is recognized that attaching the seals will be difficult after the certificate is framed. For this reason the frame should have a removable back.

Missionary Education in the Plan

Two definite goals are reached in this system. The necessary money for foreign mission work is raised and the donors are enabled to follow the results of their money and to know definitely of the good it is doing. The frequent letters from the field will supply intelligence and zeal for greater undertakings. It is hoped that at times the missionaries will supply us with negatives of pictures that will be of general interest, and we will endeavor to have prints made of these, so they may be mailed occasionally with the regular share letter.

The Share Plan of Support was first introduced in 1919. The first share was issued from the Anklesvar Girls' School, in favor of the Ladies' Bible Class, Cloverdale Sunday-school, Virginia, and was for $50. During the five-year period they paid $250.

Our records in December, 1927, show that 251 shares are now being supported in the various fields, amounting to $9,512.

Record of the First Share Issued from Each Share Plan Station

Anklesvar Girls' School

$50 share issued in August, 1919, to Ladies' Bible Class, Cloverdale, Va., supported five years.

Vyara Boys' School

$50 share issued in November, 1919, to N. S. Rhodes and wife, supported one year.

Bulsar

$50 share issued in March, 1920, to Joseph D. Reish and wife, supported five years.

Ping Ting, China

$25 share issued in January, 1921, to the Young People's Organized S. S. Class, Stanley, Wis., supported two years.

Liao Chow Boys' School

$75 share issued in January, 1921, to Always There Class, Waynesboro, Pa. They have completed six years' payments and are starting the seventh.

Show Yang Girls' School

$25 share issued in February, 1921, to Junior Department, Bethany Sunday-school, Chicago. Supported three years.

Africa

$25 share issued in March, 1924, to Willing Workers' Class, Woodberry Sunday-school, Baltimore, Md. Supported three years, and is still in force.

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MAKING FRIENDS WITH MOSLEMS

(Continued from Page 6)

There are 25,000 Moslems in Navsari itself, and we live within a half mile of the majority of them. Pray that God's Holy Spirit may make them hungry for more than they now possess in their own religion.

Burjor Bag, Navsari, India.

The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

MISSIONARY NEWS

Stover Kulp Writes of Medical Work

Though neither of us boasts an M. D. or R. N., yet under Mrs. Kulp's direction we have quite a dispensary practice. When we came to Dille we found a boy who had not walked for more than two years. From his knees down he was a mass of ulcers. Mrs. Kulp dressed his sores daily and they healed. Imagine our joy and surprise to see him walking down the path to our house, leaning on a cane.

Last July we arranged for classes in the afternoons for the Bura-speaking people who have come to live at Dille, including the house boys. We have an average attendance of from ten to twelve. Four of the pupils are young married women.

H. S. Kulp

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This Tither Finds Joy

A good brother in Iowa sends $31.75 for home missions, and says this is a tenth of his income for a certain period, and he yearns for the day when more members of our church will tithe. He counts it a sin to withhold the Lord's dues. We know by the tone of his letter that his heart is much burdened because the work of the church is slowed down for want of sufficient financial backing.

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Testimony for the Children's Slides

"We liked the 'Friends of Many Firesides' fine. They not only boost the mission work of the church, but also the movement for peace. It seems that God directed it that we were to have them." Thus writes Rev. M. D. Royer, pastor at Wichita, Kans.

The set referred to is an illustrated lecture prepared especially for children. It consists of about fifty slides, which emphasize missions, peace, junior league mission work and worship. It approaches the peace problem by creating goodwill for the children of other lands. A printed lecture accompanies the slides. Any public speaker who can adapt himself or herself to children can give the lecture acceptably. Rental price is $2 and return transportation. If an offering is received for missions at the time of showing the rental charge is canceled. Many other sets of slides are available. Write to General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., for catalogue.

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How One Chinese Stands by the Church

Minneva J. Neher, missionary to China, writes of the return of the missionaries to their stations after being at the coast for several months.

"As I neared Shou Yang my heart was most in my mouth, so eager was I to see the folks. There was quite a group at the station and they seemed glad to welcome us back. In fact, before I left Pei Tai Ho the Shou Yang folks had sent us an invitation, inviting us back, saying that the work was suffering and unless we returned soon would have real hindrances. As we walked down the street from the station I saw the Kuo Min Tang (the nationalist party) flags all out along the street and was informed that it was because of a demonstration just held that day against the church, that they were flying out everywhere. When we left we were still under the other flag, and it looks queer to see this strange flag now. I learned that there have been some active oppositions by the Kuo Min Tang here against the church and the school in particular. That day there had been threats against Mr. Nieh, the principal of the school here. He and one of the other Christian teachers, Mr. Li Yin San, had entered the Kuo Min Tang and then the party decided to clean house and sent word to the men to that effect. I believe Mr. Nieh was expelled from the party and a letter sent to Mr. Li, saying they would give him three days to leave the church. He replied with a letter telling them to remove his name from the Kuo Min Tang and he would not leave the church. Mr. Nieh sent a letter to the Yamen, asking for protection. So four police were sent over to the school, and on Saturday the demonstrators did not get to go into the school compound. There are posters up all over, they say, against the church and school. On Sunday there was another demonstration, but they did not come by here. Mr. Li came up on Monday and asked us if we were afraid because of the demonstrations. We told him, 'No, we are glad we are here and can encourage and stand with the Chinese. He who is with us is mightier than he who is with them.' I have been in the city a couple of times calling on friends, and from what I hear, I think the Kuo Min Tang is hurting itself more than the church, for the people are not at all pleased with some of the things which are being taught by the party. Of the things which they are teaching some are all right, but some are against the rules of good society anywhere. One of the moving spirits in the party is Mr. Wang, a teacher who was in the school last year and who was not invited back. So he has a personal grudge against Mr. Nieh."

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Young People's Mission Study

(This Plan May Help Your Department)

Our B. Y. P. D., during January to March of 1927, had a very beneficial and interesting study of the black people of Africa. We studied mostly the country of Nigeria. We found the outline in the Missionary Visitor was very helpful in our study and we followed it closely.

Our young people's department is made up of about thirty-six members. The majority of them are members of our church. We divided into four groups, and at the head of each group was appointed a leader. It was understood among each division that each group would work for points, and the two groups getting the largest number of points were to be entertained by the losing sides. We arranged a chart to keep a score of the points. Our points were made by our attendance, by bringing a visitor, or by bringing a visitor for three successive Sundays, which made this visitor a member of our Y. P. D. This plan created much interest and helped to get young people outside of our church to become interested.

We had it arranged so that each Sunday night for four nights a different group would have charge of the program. The leader in charge of each group selected the leader for their program.

At the close of our study we gave the missionary play, "Robert and Mary." It was a very interesting play and a very large audience attended our program. A free-will offering was taken, which enabled us to send $25 to the Missionary Building Fund for Africa.

We feel that much credit is due to the efficient coaching of our pastor, Rev. E. M. Wampler, who faithfully did his part in helping to make our program a success.

Fred J. Andrews, Rocky Ford, Colo.

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Home Mission Caravans

The Volunteer Band in coöperation with the faculty members of Bethany Bible School recently visited twenty-two churches in the interest of the Home Missions program of the church.

Four teams, consisting of five persons each, were chosen from the students and faculty members. Two of these teams were financed by the faculty members and sent to Iowa. Five churches around Des Moines and five around Waterloo were visited from Thursday morning till Monday evening prior to Thanksgiving. The other two teams were financed by the Volunteer Band and sent to Indiana. Six churches around Ft. Wayne and six around Plymouth were visited the week end following Thanksgiving.

Each program consisted of special music, a missionary reading, a story to the children, and three talks setting forth the needs and program of Home Missions. At the close of the program these churches lifted a special offering for Home Missions and sent it direct to the General Board.

These teams traveled over 2,500 miles and spoke to more than 2,000 people. A number of the churches had never before been visited by a deputation from our schools. The members of the caravans have only praise for the kind treatment received.

D. D. Funderburg.

Mission Study for 1928

H. SPENSER MINNICH

Missionary Education Secretary

THE Missionary Character of Christianity" has been chosen as the theme for mission study for the young people and adults. The purpose of this theme is to show the Christian religion as missionary in character in seeking to be helpful to all people everywhere. The Christian religion is missionary, not only to geographical areas, but to other areas such as interrace conditions, economic relationships, social relationships and wherever the spirit of Jesus is necessary to make life more real.

The Time for Mission Study

In coöperation with the General Sunday School Board, the Mission Board has suggested January to March as the time for mission study. The Sunday evening hour will be the time chosen by most churches. Some will change these plans to suit their own need.

Church School of Missions Idea

Different courses are proposed for adults, young people and children. Each of these groups may recite at the same period in different parts of the church. Then you will have a school comparable to the Sunday-school but the subject will be "Missions." This school can be enriched by suitable devotionals at the beginning and in some cases a closing session with classes all together. Brief reports can be made by the various groups to all folks assembled regarding the material they have been studying.

The Adult Course

For the adult course, the book, "The Adventure of the Church" (paper, 60c; cloth, $1), is outlined in the Christian Workers' Booklet beginning January, 1928. While it is desirable that each person have a copy of the book, yet this will not be imperative if the leader and a few others secure copies to use in directing the course.

Young People's Course

"New Paths for Old Purposes" (paper, 60c; cloth, $1) is the book for young people. It will be outlined in Our Young People week by week. Helpful articles will appear in the Gospel Messenger and some in the Missionary Visitor to give additional material on the subject.

Course for Juniors

"Our Japanese Friends" (cloth, 75c) is the book for Juniors. It is proposed for January and February. It will be outlined in Our Boys and Girls. For the month of March a supplementary course (no text suggested) on India is proposed. Articles will appear in Our Boys and Girls and elsewhere on this subject.

The 1928 Missionary Project for Young People

The India evangelistic work, costing approximately $26,000, is proposed to the young people for their missionary project. Five thousand dollars of this amount has been suggested already to the college young people. The remaining portion is offered as a real man's-size job to the young people of the church. The money may be sent to the General Mission Board as fast as it is earned, but the campaign may continue until the close of 1928.

The Project for Juniors

As an outgrowth of the month's study on India, the children will be challenged with the cost of India's medical work for 1928. This will be in the neighborhood of six or seven thousand dollars. The children can carry on this work by a plan similar to their projects of the past few years. They will earn money in various ways and will bring their project to a close not later than the end of 1928.

More Information Available

Watch the Missionary Visitor for more information on the foregoing subject. A leaflet embodying these ideas is contemplated in the near future and will be mailed to all missionary committees. Others may have it by request.

Dec. 6, 1927.

The Question Box

Will you kindly inform me as to how much it takes to finance a foreign native worker in the mission field for one year? Is not money the greatest need of our mission work at present? What country is most in need of money, or in what country does the mission work seem to be really accomplishing the goal for which it is meant?

I would like to use some of my tithe money for missions, but I want to place it where it will do the most good.

Nov. 29, 1927. A Tither in Kansas.

The cost of a native worker on the mission field varies, depending on the quality of service the worker can render and the kind of work to be done. Some of the medical workers get almost as much as Americans. Their support runs from $300 to $400 a year. Evangelistic men receive from $75 to $150; Bible women probably $50 to $75. We are encouraging the church on the mission field to pay as much as they can of the cost of these workers. Some day, of course, we expect these churches to be strong and able to support their own work and send missionaries to other parts.

We have been trying to get the money for this work through the method called the Share Plan. This method is described in the January Visitor. We would be very glad for you to subscribe for a share.

Our missionary work is successful in all of our foreign fields. India has shown a steady growth. China is very much upset now, but we believe the hand of God is working in it and the results will be good. Africa is just a beginning field and there are not many native workers yet.

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ACTIVE JUNIORS FOR MISSIONS

Dear Brethren:

Find enclosed a check of $20.25, money earned by ten of our S. S. Juniors. Earned by selling candy, by raising pickles, chickens and potatoes. We hope this will be much appreciated as this money has been very cheerfully given. Sincerely yours,

Gertrude E. Shafer,
Sec.-Treas. of Missionary Committee.
Bremen, Ind.

IF HE SHOULD BECKON

If he should come today and stand beside me,
And I should see him as he was of yore,
When veiled in flesh in all his stainless beauty
He walked beside the Galilean shore;
If he should speak and beckon me to follow
A lonely path and dreary up life's hill—
I wonder—should I dare to go unflinching,
Caring for naught—save but to do his will?

If I should see him, scorn'd of men, rejected,
Bending beneath that bitter cross, anew,
With patient eyes that smile through tears of anguish—
His brow thorn-crown'd, scarr'd hands, pierced through and through—
If he should hold to me the cup of suffering,
Bidding me to drink the dregs and trust him still—
I wonder—should I shrink from such a testing,
Or stretch out hands of faith to do his will?

If I should see him in his risen splendor,
Bearing the palm of perfect victory,
Love's very self enthron'd triumphant, tender,
Gleaming in light of awful purity;
If he should touch me with those radiant fingers,
Sealing me his, his purpose to fulfill—
Should I refuse that claim to my allegiance
Or, strong in faith, go forth to do his will?

—Selected.

Joint Station Conference. Umalla and Vali Indians and missionaries conferring together

The Women's Department

Conducted by Nora M. Rhodes
DALLAS CENTER, IOWA

Our Best for Our Cause

SADIE J. MILLER

Missionary to India

THE work which has been done by our Aid Societies of the church has been very commendable, and we have been enabled to enlist a goodly number of willing workers for the cause. Much has been done, not only at home but abroad, and in this way we have tried to do our share in the world needs of our church. But we will not be satisfied with our past accomplishments, for we realize that in too many places there are yet many, especially of the younger women, who are not enlisted and therefore are not putting forth effort in this world work. We have not forgotten the fact that our real happiness in life depends on how much we do for others. Forgetting self and reaching out is the greatest path to real joy in God's service.

Our Lord gave us the example many times and when he said, "In that ye have done it unto one of the least of these ye have done it unto me," he meant that for you and for me. He had first experienced it in service to his Maker, his Father, his God.

Our younger women may feel they cannot quilt good enough, and in this case we should see that there is congenial work for them, or something they can do which is just as profitable or even more so than quilting. Let them do that which is most natural, but see that every one has a chance to do her little or much according to her capacity.

We feel that the time has come when we need to be better informed on world needs, world conditions, real facts concerning our various fields, mainly, of course, India, China, and Africa. We usually get little at an ordinary Aid Society meeting, and working week after week, without a knowledge of facts and conditions, produces a dearth of inspiration. In some localities the best results have come by having a Missionary Society.

Many of us have known the tremendous work that the Women's Foreign Missionary Society, known commonly as the W. F. M. S., has done for its church. In some cases it has outdone the Men's Board in the Methodist church. In fact, I have heard several men say they would like to be sent by the Women's Board rather than the Men's if they worked in the Methodist cause abroad. We have no such thing as Men's Board and Women's Board, nor are we aiming at that at all, but we must admit that those women have done wonders and they are an inspiration to us.

Think of what organized effort does! See what our children in the Brotherhood did with an earnest, honest and vigorous effort. The hospital they built in India at Dahanu stands as a daily monument to the work of children and is making a tremendous impression on the childhood of India, as well as serving a great and long-standing need.

I suggest that we get busy and organize our work. Have occasional programs, in which missionary news can be gathered and given out at special meetings. Let the schoolchildren give you some demonstrations, and when missionaries from the field are accessible, get them to give desired information. In the course of a few months all will see the worth of such an effort. Get the drift of what women are doing in other churches along this line. Again, let me urge that every woman be enlisted in the work and given something worth-while to do, so that by united effort put forth a much larger amount can be raised which will help to do all our fields justice without any deficit, and it will be done easily as well as happily.

Day of Prayer for Missions

Feb. 24, 1928

Last year it was an inspiration to know that we were voicing the same petitions as other Christian women in America, Europe, Asia, Africa, and the Islands of the Sea.

We now approach another observance of the World Day of Prayer for Missions, which will be on the first Friday in Lent, Feb. 24, 1928. Let us remember that this is an Interdenominational Day as well as an International Day.

Leaders in missionary societies should begin early in their preparations for the day. Where there is no missionary society the Aid Society should sponsor the movement. Do not make the mistake one group made last year by putting on an Aid Society program. We want to make it what the name implies, a day of prayer for missions.

The program, "Breaking Down Barriers," proceeds from Thanksgiving through confession and intercession to consecration. It may be used entirely as printed, or it may be adapted. It may be repeated in an afternoon and evening service for different groups. A number of girls' groups are observing the day.

The price of the programs is 2 cents; $1.75 per hundred. Order your supplies early from the General Mission Board.

Do not fail to pray that guidance and inspiration may be given to all those who have the responsibility of planning for the day. Give the service early publicity in your local newspaper, your bulletin board and from the pulpit.

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Monthly Program Outline for Women's Missionary Societies

Text—A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow.

Chapter 5—Companions of the Way.

Hymn—"Where Cross the Crowded Ways of Life."

2—Scripture, The Good Samaritan, Luke 10: 25-37.

3—Follow with words of Mrs. Roy, p. 142. Several brief prayers for various lines of service and individual responsibility.

4—Brief talk on the outstanding principles of social service today as contrasted with forty years ago, pp. 143-144. Into this talk may be brought the story of your own city or rural service. Where is your greatest lack? Are your methods modern? Are they supported?

5—Different women report the progress of different nations. India, pp. 148-149, 173, 175. Japan, pp. 149, 169, 177-178. China, pp. 156, 158, 165-168, 170. Turkey, pp. 151-153, 159-160. Africa, pp. 154-155. Near East Relief, Syria and Philippines may be mentioned if time permits, pp. 171-172, 163, 164, 168-169.

6—Put Christ into the Woman's Movement. Mention some of the facts found on pp. 181-187.

7—Closing Hymn, "Cast Thy Bread Upon the Waters."

Birthdays of Our Women Missionaries

"Now I beseech you . . . that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me."

February

5—Mrs. Esther Beahm, Africa, now on furlough.

8—Mrs. Mabel Moomaw, India.

12—Sarah Shisler, Africa.

16—Lillian Grisso, India.

17—Mrs. Ina Kaylor, India.

21—Mrs. Kathryn Garner, India.

23—V. Grace Clapper, China, now on furlough.

27—Mrs. Ruth Mallott, Africa, now on furlough.

Pray for our missionaries.

THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY

Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

BY THE EVENING LAMP

Dear Juniors: Look who's here! Come and greet our little friends from the Orient. Ratna and Lakshmi, Waki, Vesti, Bandu, and Bodi. Show them how hospitable American youngsters can be. There is a special bond between us this year, and as you did such fine things for "Our Black Brothers" in Africa last summer, so you are going to put into the palms of these little "Brown Brothers" a token of your friendliness and good-will. So India and America will join "hands across the sea," and there will be no east nor west, but all one great neighborhood of God's children, with Jesus, their Older Brother, showing them how to live. Follow where he beckons, and "Happy" will be your middle name!

Aunt Adalyn.

Ratna Kesav and Sister, Lakshmi Kesav—1927

Dear Aunt Adalyn:

You may be surprised to hear from a little boy from India. I was asked to write you a little letter telling you about myself. I go to the Mission School. I am now in the sixth standard. I started to school at the Wanki five years ago. While in the first year of school I had a sad thing to come into my life.

It came time for my little sister to marry. We had no money. My father had to borrow money so our little sister could marry, otherwise she would be disgraced. The Shet would not loan the money till my father promised to bind me over to pay the debt. I was taken away from school. I cried all the way, "Oh, please do not take me from the Jesus School!" The Shet would not listen. One day I ran away from the Shet's house and came to school. He came after me. I saw him coming and ran and hid so no one knew where I went. The Shet was very angry, and made it hard for my parents because I was not working out that debt. I wanted to go to school. So, after much suffering and much sacrifice, those in charge of the Wanki School made it possible for me to return to school. I am very thankful to all who have helped to make this possible. I wish to go on to school till I finish. Then I wish to become a teacher. You may hear from me again. I must stop now as my letter will be too long. I send loving salaams to you all.

Sincerely,
Ratna Kesav,
Wanki-Bulsar, Surat District, India.

We are delighted to see you, Ratna and Lakshmi. We do not know how to make salaams, but we do know how to shake hands, and we bid you a very cordial welcome. I hope you enjoy sitting here by the Evening Lamp, and I am sure we are happy to have you talk to us. May you reach your goal, Ratna, and become a teacher whom many will look up to and love.

Vada, Thana Dist., India.
August 7, 1927.

Very dear children of America. Most loving salaams:

This is to inform you that our school here is very good. I am studying in the fifth standard. My father and mother are dead, and I am living in the boarding school. My home was a bamboo hut out in a village. My father and mother were very good. Our caste is Wareli. While there my father and sister died. Then we came to this town and my mother began to cook at the boys' school. Some days afterward some wicked people beat her and threw her in the well. [The death of this woman was a mystery, her dead body having been found in the well one morning.] My sister and I felt very grieved. Then we came into the girls' boarding school. At first I was very unhappy. Then I began to like it. Miss Sahib has taken good care of us. We are two sisters and have no other relatives, but God is with us. My sister is in sixth standard. Here we eat rice, pulse, millet, wheat and vegetables. Near us are many hills and trees. These are very beautiful. We have made a flower garden and like it very much. Many birds and butterflies come to sit on the flowers. Flowers are all about us now and we feel their joy. [This is the rainy season.] We eat three times a day. One time we

Our brown friends in the Indian Church. Read Ratna Kesav's letter went to see the sea. I wondered how it would look. Then we went in the water and had lots of fun. We played until six o'clock, then came out and sat down in a grove and prayed. There also we ate our lunch. After returning home we slept very soundly. In our school is a little cripple girl. Her name is Saraswati. She is about eight years old. She has two brothers but they are not in school. The people here are nearly all farmers and they are busy in their rice fields now.

Now I finish with love,
Waki Lasha.

(This girl is from the Vada Boarding School. It was translated by the missionary in charge who also inserted a few parenthetical explanations.)

G. E. Swartz.

We are all pleased to know, Waki, that you and your sister have fallen into such good hands. And you have good company when you have God for a Friend. We are sending prayers and gifts from this side of the world that you may be always happy and prosperous, and help your neighbors to get acquainted with that same good Friend.

Jalalpor, India,
Sept. 22, 1927.

Dear Aunt Adalyn:

When I was a little girl about six years old my parents died leaving me an orphan. My maternal uncle took me to his house to help care for his baby and to help about the house. I stayed with him until I was so cruelly treated that I ran away. In wandering about I became the servant of a farmer, where I scoured vessels, carried water and did other errands. One day all the family went visiting and I was left at home alone. This I did not like so I ran away. This time I came to a village where there was a school at which I stopped. The teacher there found out I had no home; so he brought me to Jalalpor Girls' Boarding School. I was dirty, almost naked and had itch. Here I was bathed, combed and given new, clean clothes. This made me very happy. I have been treated so well here that I feel as though I never want to leave. I am now in the fifth grade and am so glad I have learned to read and write. I am glad, too, I have learned to know of the true God and Jesus Christ the Savior.

Vesti Natha.

You are another sample, Vesti, of what Jesus' love will do, when it comes through kind teachers. Surely cleanliness and godliness go together. May you never lose the happiness and hope that have come to you, and may you pass them on to others.

C. B. Mission, Ahwa, Dangs, Surat Dt.
Sept. 7th, 1927.

Dear Aunt Adalyn:

I, Bandu Davazu, send you my many salaams in the Lord. I pray for you who believe on the Lord always, and remembering you praise the Lord. We have had plenty of rain here this year and the grain looks good. I am still going to school. I am in the third standard. My teacher's name is Chakranaryan Master. Our Head Master's name is Yeshwantrao Hevali, and our Principal is Rev. H. P. Garner. He is very kind. Because of this our work goes very smooth. I am thirteen years old. I have two brothers and one sister. Our country is very jungly. There are three kinds of trees in our forests, Teak, Bamboo, and Sesame. There are lots of tigers in the jungle too but they are getting less because our Deputy Saheb always shoots as many as he can. He has killed 20 or 25. A Dangi man, Ramji Lohar, has shot four or five. Our community is still in the dark. They do not know the Gospel of our Lord. Garner Saheb and some of the Masters go out in the motor and tell the people Gospel stories. I too was in darkness but seeing our sad condition Rev. J. M. Pittenger Saheb came here to tell us about Jesus. And since he came I have begun to believe on God and am growing in his knowledge. Others are too. Keep sending help that the work may continue to grow. My prayer is that your work may go on nicely. I send my salaams to you all.

Bandu Davazu.

(This boy is a baptized Dangi)

H. P. G.

Our kindest greetings to you also, Bandu. It seems almost as if we knew you, as we are very well acquainted with Rev. Pittenger. We rejoice that he could be in your country long enough to make some bright spots in the dark. And may you never let the light of Jesus go out.

Vyara, India,
July 27, 1927.

Dear Aunt Adalyn:

Six years ago, I came to the Vyara Mission. My brother had studied and he sang songs, so I desired to go to school. One morning he brought me to school. Since I had only one little rag, I wore my brother's coat on the way.

A few days I was happy in school, but thinking of father and home, to me came the mind to run away, so I slipped out secretly. But in a few minutes all the girls came, and catching me took me back to school. The matron shut me into the godown [storeroom]. While here the girls coaxed me to hand out peas and onions to them. That evening the matron let me out.

Three days later, I ran away again—and was caught. This time the matron kept me in her room, and spanked me, yet the desire to go home stayed with me.

Very soon, I ran away the third time. It was evening and soon it got dark on the road. I slept under a tree and I was afraid. In the morning, arising, I went home. This time my brother came, and punishing me and giving me advice, took me back to school.

This was my last time. From then on I was happy in school. Now it seems to me that the school is my home. In 1924, I was baptized. I am in the Fifth Grade.

I am thankful that I am a sister to all the Christian boys and girls of the whole world.

Thus,
Bodi Rama.

Well, we are glad, Bodi, that you are now satisfied to stay in the school, even if you had to be spanked to keep you there! When you get through with your education, you will be happier still. You will be able to help others so much more. Keep up your courage!

Dear Aunt Adalyn: Enclosed is a check of $7.53 for the hospital in Africa. My brother David, aged five, Helen, seven, Hernley, nine, and myself, twelve, saved this from money earned by working for father and mother. We feel this will help some little girl or boy (get medicine to make them well, and get the proper care), and help spread the Gospel. Yesterday (November 16) we went for a trip to Eagles' Mere (lake of the woods), which we enjoyed very much. It is about 127 miles from home, and —maybe you would be interested—the lake is on top of a mountain, which is very unusual, isn't it? We are all well and happy (and so is Baby Eugene, who is just about ten months old, and very lively).

Robert Madeira.

336 W. High St., Elizabethtown, Pa.

Your generous check spread joy in the mission rooms. I am glad that while you are happy yourself, you are thinking of making others happy, even if they are on the other side of the world.

Dear Aunt Adalyn: The last Visitor had only one letter, so I decided to write. I hope the Juniors will welcome me. I go to school with my younger sister. We have one brother in high school at Daleville. I like books and school. I am taking fifth grade. I am nine years of age. We attend Sunday-

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FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1927. As of November 30, 1927, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 29, 1928, stands as follows:

Cash received since March 1, 1927,	$165,308.32

(The 1927 Budget of $408,300.00 is 40.9% raised, whereas it should be 75%.)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on November 30, 1927:

Income since March 1, 1927,	$198,413.85
Income same period last year	205,407.77
Expense since March 1, 1927	265,975.70
Expense same period last year	229,858.53
Mission deficit November 30, 1927	76,446.46
Mission deficit October 31, 1927	76,125.28
Increase in deficit for November, 1927	321.18

Tract Distribution: During the month of October the Board sent out 2.582 doctrinal tracts.

October Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during October:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

Arizona—$14.52	
Cong.: Glendale, $	14.52
California—$59.37	
No. Dist., S. S.: Live Oak, $3.73; McFarland, $13.61; Modesto, $21.18; Y. P. C. W. S.: Reedley, $5; Adult C. W. S.: Modesto, $4.85,	48.37
So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. J. Warrelman (Hemet), $1; Indv.: C. H. Sheets and wife, $10,	11.00
Canada—$22.94	
Cong.: Merrington, $6.35; S. S.: Merrington, $6.59; Aid Soc.: Merrington, $10,	22.94
Colorado—$38.72	
W. Dist., Cong.: First Grand Valley,	38.72
Florida—$30.18	
Cong.: Orlando, $10; S. S.: Sebring, $20.18,	30.18
Idaho—$23.36	
Cong.: Winchester, $19.41; S. S.: Winchester, $3.95,	23.36
Illinois—$84.26	
No. Dist., Cong.: O. G. Davis (M. N.) (First Chicago), $.50; Elgin, $10.64; S. S.: Batavia, $4.11,	15.25
So. Dist., Cong.: Girard, $27; Panther Creek, $1.50; Oak Grove, $1.50; Virden, $6.51; Mrs. Blanche Marquiss (Okaw), $30; Mrs. Rebecca Winger (La Motte Prairie), $1; S. S.: Romine, $1.50,	69.01
Indiana—$436.06	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Clear Creek, $23.06; Landesville, $12.05: Mexico, $3.25; South Whitley, $12.50; West Eel River, $21.10; Cong. and S. S.: Loon Creek, $50; S. S.: Beaver Creek, $13.14; Burnettsville, $8,	143.10
No. Dist., Cong.: Blue River. $35.20; Nappanee, $54.36; Plymouth, $14.37; West Goshen, $83.07; Irvin Miller (M. N.) (Goshen), $.50; No. 100623 (First South Bend), $10; S. S.: Auburn, $5.58,	203.08
So. Dist., Cong.: Anderson, $22.38; Buck Creek, $17; Mt. Pleasant, $3; White, $3; J. Andrew Miller (M. N.) (Muncie), $.50; S. S.: Antioch (Killbuck) $43; Indv.: Simon Holsopple, $1,	89.88
Iowa—$73.30	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Iowa River, $6; S. S.: Pleasant View (Cedar), $7.50,	13.50
No. Dist., Cong.: Spring Creek, $25.75; S. S.: Greene, $10.81,	36.56
So. Dist., Cong.: Council Bluffs, $15; Dr. L. A. Miller (N. English), $5; S. S.: Ottumwa, $3.24,	23.24
Kansas—$72.63	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Balzer Alles (Holland),	5.00
N. W. Dist., District Meeting,	52.65
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Mont Ida,	14.48
S. W. Dist., Cong.: H. F. Crist (M. N.) (First Wichita),	.50
Louisiana—$17.88	
Cong.: Rosepine, $2.40; S. S.: Roanoke, $15.48,	17.88
Maryland—$34.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: S. P. Early (M. N.) (Woodberry) (Baltimore), $.50; S. S.: Bethany, $6; Pleasant Hill (Bush Creek), $2.50,	9.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $10; Indv.: Daniel Baker, $15,	25.00
Michigan—$3.76	
Cong.: Zion,	3.76
Minnesota—$94.69	
Cong.: Root River, $40; S. S.: Root River, $54.69,	94.69
Missouri—$30.68	
No. Dist., Cong.: Rockingham,	15.68
S. W. Dist., S. S.: Fairview,	15.00
Montana—$10.00	
E. Dist., Indv.: Burton Forney,	10.00
Nebraska—$8.69	
Cong.: Octavia, $4.65; S. S.: Lincoln, $4.04,	8.69
North Dakota—$117.68	
Cong.: Brumbaugh, 11.08; Cando, $94; Surrey, $12.60,	117.68
Ohio—$228.18	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Black River, $53.61; Tuscarawas, $5; C. E. Goodhart (Kent) $2; S. S.: Ashland City, $6.14; Owl Creek, $10.01,	76.76
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Marion Anderson (Deshler), $1; Kenneth Sterling (Deshler) $5; Freddie W. Garner (Fairview), $1; Grace Stutzman (Fairview), $1; A Sister, (Greenspring), $10; James Tamplin (Logan), $2; Bellemeda Bloom (Portage) $5; Mrs. F. M. Buckingham (Rome) $4; S. S.: North Poplar Ridge, $9.60,	38.60
So. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $44.36; Pitsburg, $20.47; S. S.: Castine, $5.52; Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater), $24.21; Union City, $17.56; D. V. B. S.: Painter Creek, $.70,	112.82
Oregon—$5.50	
Cong.: A. B. Coover and wife (Grants Pass), $5; Leander Smith (M. N.) (Myrtle Point), $.50,	5.50
Pennsylvania—$857.96	
E. Dist., Cong.: East Petersburg, $10.57; Myerstown, $20; Spring Creek, $12.06; Springville, $48; Big Swatara, $24; Unknown Donor of Elizabethtown, $3; Naomi S. Bentschler (Maiden Creek), $2; No. 100352 (Palmyra) $40; A Brother and Sister (Little Swatara) $25; Novella Cline (West Greentree), $10; S. S.: Chiques, $7.05; Mt. Hope (Chiques), $15; East Fairview, $31.60; Ephrata, $32.75; Harrisburg, $18; Hatfield, $39.43; Indian Creek, $25.52; Paxton (Big Swatara), $26; Frystown (Little Swatara), $7; Longeneckers (White Oak), $82.35; Aid Soc.: Fredericksburg, $15,	494.33
Mid. Dist., Cong.: 28th St. Altoona, $23; Artemas, $6.27; Fairview, $15.87; Koontz, $30.57; Yellow Creek, $10.14; Eld. Jacob Kinsel (Albright), $4; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek), $10; Rev. A. B. Miller & Wife (Lewistown), $15.84; S. S.: Cherry Lane, $10.45; Maitland (Dry Valley), $6; James Creek, $4.41,	136.55
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Germantown (Philadelphia), $70.80; S. S.: Norristown, $13.73; Parkerford, $19; Friendly Helpers Bible Class	

(Parkerford), $25; Quakertown (Springfield), $15.10,	143.63
So. Dist., S. S.: Brandts (Back Creek), $3.78; Pleasant Hill (Codorus), $2.64; Hanover, $18.75; New Fairview, $20.47,	45.64
W. Dist., Cong.: Cumberland, $7.28; Flintstone, $1.50; Locust Grove, $12.50; Redbank, $5; S. S.: Diamondville (Manor) $2.21; Plum Creek, $9.32,	37.81
Texas—$17.25	
Cong.: Nocona,	17.25
Virginia—$199.67	
E. Dist., Cong.: Midland, $13.92; S. S.: Oronoco, $4.75; Indv.: Mrs. H. A. Via, $5,	23.67
1st. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Sallie E. Pursley (Mt. Joy),	4.50
No. Dist., Cong.: Upper Lost River, $6.75; Simon Hansenfluck (Salem), $10; S. S.: Mill Creek, $91.92,	108.67
Sec. Va., Cong.: Bridgewater, $9.91; Moscow, $27.20; S. S.: College Class (Bridgewater); $4.02; Sangerville, $16.70,	57.83
So. Dist., Cong.: Shelton,	5.00
Washington—$10.00	
Cong.: Mrs. W. H. Slabaugh (Wenatchee Valley),	10.00
West Virginia—$388.22	
1st Dist., Cong.: Allegheny, $24; Bean Settlement, $25.60; Beaver Run, $3.85; Cheat River, $.50; Greenland, $60; Knobley, $94; North Fork, $14.02; Old Furnace, $34.50; Tearcoat, $95; White Pine, $15.75; James G. Evans (Greenland), $3; Burl F. Welch (Knobley) $5,	375.22
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Floyd R. Demoss (Bethany), $4; S. A. Himes (Valley River), $5; Indv.: Jesse Judy, $4,	13.00
Wisconsin—$8.32	
S. S.: Chippewa Valley, $4.04; Maple Grove, $1; Oak Park (Rice Lake), $3.28,	8.32
Total for the month,	$ 2,887.82
Total previously reported,	28,961.62
Total for the year,	$31,849.44

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND—1926-27

Pennsylvania—$5.00	
E. Dist., Student Volunteers of Elizabethtown College,	$ 5.00
Total for the month,	5.00
Total previously reported,	2,198.06
Total for the year,	$ 2,203.06

AID SOCIETY FOREIGN MISSION FUND—1926

Missouri—$26.50	
Mid. Dist., Aid Societies,	$ 26.50
Total for the month,	$ 26.50
Total previously reported,	2,980.12
Total for the year,	$ 3,006.62

AID SOCIETY MISSION FUND—1927

Pennsylvania—$280.00	
W. Dist., Aid Societies,	$ 280 00
Total for the month,	$ 280.00
Total previously reported,	17.00
Total for the year,	$ 297.00

HOME MISSIONS

Illinois—$1.35	
No. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Morris,	$ 1.35
Ohio—$5.89	
So. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek,	5.89
Pennsylvania—$10.00	
W. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Anna Saylor (Middlecreek), $5; B. Y. P. D.: Intermediate, Roxbury, $5,	10.00
Virginia—$5.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: Fannie L. Mason (Linville Creek),	5.00
Total for the month,	$ 22.24
Total previously reported,	504.32
Total for the year,	$ 526.56

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

Illinois—$10.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: Primary Department (Elgin),	$ 10.00
Indiana—$20.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Clear Creek,	20.00
Michigan—$8.42	
D. V. B. S.: Beaverton,	8.42
Total for the month,	$ 38.42
Total previously reported,	299.32
Total for the year,	$ 337.74

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Pennsylvania—$77.00	
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Harmonyville, $52; Aid Soc.: Germantown (Philadelphia), $25,	$ 77.00
Total for the month,	$ 77.00
Total previously reported,	2,190.03
Total for the year,	$ 2,267.03

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1926

Wisconsin—$3.75	
Boys and Girls of Chippewa Valley,	$ 3.75
Total for the month,	$ 3.75
Total previously reported,	812.45
Total for the year,	$ 816.20

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1927

Illinois—$91.52	
No. Dist., S. S.: Beginner and Primary Children (First Chicago),	$ 75.00
So. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Centennial (Okaw), $10.10; Woodland, $6.42,	16.52
Iowa—$2.35	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Beginner and Primary Classes (Panther Creek),	2.35
Nebraska—$7.30	
S. S.: Primary, Beginners, and Cradle Roll Departments, (Falls City) $2.55; D. V. B. S.: Bethel, $4.75,	7.30
Ohio—$5.00	
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Junior Class (Greenspring),	5.00
Oklahoma—$15.00	
S. S.: Junior Band (Big Creek),	15.00
Pennsylvania—$50.00	
W. Dist., S. S.: Junior Volunteer Girls' Class (Walnut Grove),	50.00
Wisconsin—$2.66	
S. S.: Junior Class (Stanley),	2.66
Total for the month,	$ 173.83
Total previously reported,	319.93
Total for the year,	$ 493.76

B. Y. P. D. FUND—1928

California—$60.25	
No. Dist., Y. P. D.: Modesto, $22; Circuits 1 and 2 of No. California, $38.25,	$ 60.25
Colorado—$25.00	
W. Dist., Y. P. D.: Fruita,	25.00
Illinois—$15.00	
No. Dist., Y. P. D.: First Chicago,	15.00
Iowa—$100.00	
Mid. Dist., Y. P. D.: Panther Creek,	100.00
Ohio—$17.14	
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Young People's Class (Greensprings), $10; Y. P. D.: Brookville, $7.14,	17.14
Total for the month,	$ 217.39
Total previously reported,	478.47
Total for the year,	$ 695.86

INDIA MISSION

California—$60.65	
No. Dist., Friends of J. I. Kaylor,	$ 60.65
Illinois—$12.55	
No. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Morris, $2.55; Mrs. Margaret R. Williams (Mt. Morris), $10,	12.55
Indiana—$5.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: North Liberty,	5.00

Michigan—$25.00	
Indv.: Ruth I. Vaniman,	25.00
Ohio—$1.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Sara Bigler (Oakland),	1.00
Virginia—$4.00	
1st Dist., Cong.: N. E. Lintecum (Crab Orchard),	4.00
Total for the month,	$ 108.20
Total previously reported,	1,646.22
Total for the year,	$ 1,754.42

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Maryland—$40.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: E. C. Bixler & Wife (New Windsor) (Pipe Creek),	40.00
Total for the month,	$ 40.00
Total previously reported,	370.00
Total for the year,	$ 410.00

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

California—$10.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: A Sister (San Bernadino),	$ 10.00
Iowa—$3.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: Fairview,	3.00
Kansas—$20.00	
S. W. Dist., S. S.: "Comrades" Class (Larned Rural),	20.00
Ohio—$6.25	
So. Dist., S. S.: "Golden Rule" Class, Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater),	6.25
Pennsylvania—$55.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mary E. Frey (Lewistown), $5; Women's Missionary Society (Huntingdon), $50,	55.00
Total for the month,	$ 94.25
Total previously reported,	529.49
Total for the year,	$ 623.74

INDIA SHARE PLAN

California—$100.75	
No. Dist., Y. P. D.: Modesto,	$ 6.25
So. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners" Class, First Los Angeles, $12.50; "Loyal Bible Class," Pasadena, $50; "Friendship Bible Class," Pasa-dena, $32,	94.50
Kansas—$37.18	
S. E. Dist., C. W. S.: Independence,	10.00
S. W. Dist., S. S.: Conway Springs,	27.18
Maryland—$75.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: "Willing Workers" Class, Westminster (Meadow Branch), $25; Aid: Soc.: Westminster (Meadow Branch), $50,	75.00
Ohio—$6.25	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners" Class, Springfield,	6.25
Pennsylvania—$101.19	
E. Dist., Cong.: Ridgeley, $39.19; S. S.: "Sunshine" Class, Indian Creek, $12,	51.19
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Rev. A. B. Miller & Wife (Lewistown),	50.00
Washington—$50.00	
C. W. S.: Yakima,	50.00
Total for the month,	$ 370.37
Total previously reported,	2,578.75
Total for the year,	$ 2,949.12

INDIA WIDOWS' HOME

India—$15.01	
India.: No. 100598,	$ 15.01
Total for the month,	$ 15.01
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 15.01

VYARA CHURCH BUILDING FUND

Indiana—$12.77	
No. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Chapel,	$ 12.77
Total for the month,	$ 12.77
Total previously reported,	248.09
Total for the year,	$ 260.86

CHINA MISSION

Arkansas—$3.00	
N. W. Dist., Indv.: Mrs. Mary J. Babb aud Daughter,	$ 3.00
Indiana—$5.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: Maple Grove,	5.00
Kansas—$13.56	
S. W. Dist., S. S.: Conway Springs,	13.56
Minnesota—$4.00	
Indv.: Margaret B. Miller,	4.00
Ohio—$2.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Sara Bigler (Oakland),	2.00
Pennsylvania—$71.80	
Mid Dist., Cong.: Roaring Spring,	12.12
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Springfield, $44.68; S. S.: Quakertown (Springfield), $15,	59.68
West Virginia—$51.15	
1st Dist., Cong.: Sandy Creek,	51.15
Total for the month,	$ 150.51
Total previously reported,	1,368.42
Total for the year,	$ 1,518.93

CHINA NATIVE WORKER

Kansas—$30.00	
N. E. Dist., Dist., S. S.: Appanoose,	$ 30.00
Michigan—$14.36	
S. S.: Sugar Ridge,	14.36
Total for the month,	$ 44.36
Total previously reported,	86.59
Total for the year,	$ 130.95

CHINA SHARE PLAN

California—$28.31	
No. Dist., S. S.: "Truth Seekers" Class, McFarland,	$ 6.25
So. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners" Class, First Los Angeles, $12.50; Hermosa Beach, $9.56,	22.06
Illinois—$25.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: Primary Department, Elgin,	25.00
Indiana—$25.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: "Winners" Class, North Winona,	25.00
Missouri—$25.00	
No. Dist., Aid Soc.: North Bethel,	25.00
Total for the month,	$ 103.31
Total previously reported,	1,014.03
Total for the year,	$ 1,117.34

SWEDEN MISSION

Ohio—$1.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Sara Bigler (Oakland),	$ 1.00
Total for the month,	$ 1.00
Total previously reported,	76.95
Total for the year,	$ 77.95

AFRICA MISSION

California—$16.29	
So. Dist., S. S.: Covina,	$ 16.29
Indiana—$44.44	
No. Dist., Cong.: Cedar Creek, $30.94; Cedar Lake, $13.50,	44.44
Michigan—$8.43	
D. V. B. S.: Beaverton,	8.43
Ohio—$10.00	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Eden (Tuscarawas),	10.00
Oregon—$8.25	
Cong.: Newberg,	$ 8.25
Pennsylvania—$90.29	
E. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Midway,	37.45
S. E. Dist., Cong.: B. G. (First Philadelphia), $10; S. S.: Primary Department, Parkersford, $6.29,	16.29

So. Dist., S. S.: Pioneer Class, York,	36.55
West Virginia—$8.00	
1st Dist., Indv.: Mrs. P. F. Bowers,	8.00
Total for the month,	$ 185.70
Total previously reported,	2,815.00
Total for the year,	$ 3,000.70

MINISTERIAL AND MISSIONARY RELIEF

Ohio—$16.00	
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Toledo,	$ 16.00
Total for the month,	$ 16.00
Total previously reported,	36.50
Total for the year,	$ 52.50

NEAR EAST RELIEF

Oregon—$10.01	
Cong.: Portland,	$ 10.01
Pennsylvania—$5.00	
W. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Elizabeth Mills (Walnut Grove) (Johnstown),	5.00
Virginia—$11.08	
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Barren Ridge,	11.08
Total for the month,	$ 26.09
Total previously reported,	666.25
Total for the year,	$ 692.34

CONFERENCE BUDGET

Illinois—$4.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: Elgin,	$ 4.00
Indiana—$5.25	
No. Dist., Cong.: Blue River,	5.25
Iowa—$1.45	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Bagley,	1.45
Kansas—$33.50	
N. E. Dist., District Meeting,	$ 33.50
Ohio—$10.38	
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Dupont,	4.75
So. Dist., S. S.: Harris Creek,	5.63
Pennsylvania—$14.93	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mary Bixler (York), $1; S. S.: Curryville (Woodbury), $6.45,	7.45
So. Dist., S. S.: Upper Melrose (Upper Codorus)	7.48
Total for the month,	$ 69.51
Total previously reported,	57,194.42
Total for the year,	$57,263.93

CONFERENCE BUDGET DESIGNATED

Indiana—$5.75	
No. Dist., Cong.: West Goshen,	$ 5.75
Total for the month,	$ 5.75
Total previously reported,	71.38
Total for the year,	$ 77.13

MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$392.14	
So. Dist., La Verne Cong. for Ernest Vaniman and wife, and L. A. Blickenstaff and wife, $92.14; Long Beach Sunday School for Lucile Heckman, $300,	$ 392.14
Colorado—$14.65	
E. Dist., Congs. for Anna M. Crumpacker,	14.65
Idaho and W. Mont.—$131.26	
Congs. for Anetta Mow, $64.49; for Dr. D. L. Horning, $66.77,	131.26
Illinois—$454.14	
No. Dist., Mt. Morris Cong. for Ruth Ulery, $100; Mt. Morris Sunday School for Sadie J. Miller, $259.14,	359.14
So. Dist., Primary Department (Decatur) for Darlene Butterbaugh, $45; Aid Society (Virden) for Leah Ruth Ebey, $50,	95.00
Indiana—$751.55	
Mid. Dist., Sunday Schools for Mrs. L. W. Moomaw,	125.00
No. Dist., Y. P. D.'s for Clara Harper Budget,	520.55
So. Dist., Buck Creek Cong. for Nettie B. Summer, $81; Antioch Sunday School (Kill-Buck) for W. J. Heisey, $25,	$ 106.00
Iowa—$500.00	
Mid. Dist., Dallas Center Sunday School for A. D. Helser Budget,	500.00
Kansas—$598.88	
S. W. Dist., Congs. for F. H. Crumpacker, $571.62; D. M. B. for F. H. Crumpacker, $27.26,	598.88
Missouri—$32.37	
Mid. Dist., Congs. for Jennie Mohler,	32.37
Ohio—$31.88	
N. E. Dist., Owl Creek Cong. for Lola Helser,	31.88
Pennsylvanina—$734.73	
E. Dist., Conestoga Cong. for Ida Buckingham, $275; Spring Creek Cong. for Eliza B. Miller, $22.83; White Oak Cong. for Ruth Mallott, $300; Mechanic Grove Sunday School for Lois Mow, $25; "Helping Hand" Class Lebanon Sunday School (Midway) for Alberta C. Sollenberger, $37.50,	660.33
Mid. Dist., Albright Cong. and Sunday School for Olivia D. Ikenberry, $20; Juniata College Sunday School (Huntingdon) for J. M. Blough, $54.40,	$ 74.40
Virginia—$274.03	
Sec. Dist., Barren Ridge Cong. for Nora Flory, $75; Elk Run Cong. for Sara Z. Myers, $43.48; Pleasant Valley Cong. for Edna R. Flory, $155.55,	274.03
Total for the month,	$ 3,915.63
Total previously reported,	28,042.72
Total for the year,	$31,958.35

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THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY

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school at Monte Vista Brethren church. I hope everybody enjoys the holiday season.

Dillons Mill, Va. Gertrude Bowman.

You are making good progress in school. I think it's because you like books! I shall look for big things from you some time.

NUTS TO CRACK

Some Holidays Broken Up

1. Match, sirs.
2. Nag "Vig" thinks.
3. Rim a mole.
4. Nice deep denn.
5. O, a dry lab.
6. Yes, we ran.

Hidden Prophets of the Old Testament

(Find the answers in bold-face letters)

1. Here comes Ed**na hum**ming a tune.
2. His thoughts were dyn**amic**; **a h**ost of people were moved.
3. I see Berth**a most** every day.
4. He gave the garden **hose a** quick jerk.
5. In a Ford se**dan I el**uded him.
6. It is cold, **Joe; l**et us light the fire.

(Answers next month)

DECEMBER NUTS CRACKED

Rectangle.—

C	A	N	A
H	A	L	F
R	E	A	R
I	M	R	I
S	P	E	C
T	U	B	A

Hidden Word.—Christmas.

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AMERICA

Church of the Brethren Industrial School, Geer, Va.

- Bollinger, Amsey and Florence, 1922
- Finckh, Elsie, 1925
- Hersch, Orville and Mabel, 1925
- Kline, Alvin, 1926
- Wampler, Nelie, 1922

Dayton, Va.

- Early, H. C., and Emma, 1925

In Pastoral Service

- Bowman, Price and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
- Fahnestock, Rev. and Mrs. S. G., 1059 Michigan Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
- Haney, R. A. and Irva, Merrill, Md., 1925
- Horner, W. J. and Hazel, 3122 Ellis Ave., Fort Worth, Texas
- Scrogum, Arthur and Marie, Accident, Md., 1926
- Showalter, R. K. and Florence, Rose Pine, La., 1926
- White, Ralph and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923

SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö, Sweden

- Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
- Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

Liao Chow, Shansi, China

- Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
- Senger, Nettie M., 1916
- Shock, Laura J., 1916

Peking, China
℅ No. China Language School

- Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921, and Lulu, 1919

Ping Ting Chow, Shansi, China

- Crumpacker, F. H., 1908
- Flory, Edna R., 1917
- Metzger, Minerva, 1910
- Schaeffer, Mary, 1917

Show Yang, Shansi, China

- Neher, Minneva J., 1924
- Ulery, Ruth F., 1926

T'ung Chow, Chihli, China

- Flory, Byron M., and Nora, 1917
- Heisey, Walter J., and Sue, 1917
- Oberholtzer, I. E., and Elizabeth, 1916
- Seese, Norman A., and Anna, 1917

On Furlough

- Baker, Elizabeth, 506 Wayne Ave., Greenville, O., 1922
- Bright, J. Homer and Minnie, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1911
- Ikenberry, E. L. and Olivia, 3343 Whitney Ave., Mt. Carmel, Conn., 1922
- Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, 1031½ W. 34th St., Los Angeles, Calif., 1924
- Clapper, V. Grace, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1917
- Cline, Mary E., 900 Franklin, Roaring Spring, Pa., 1920
- Flory, Raymond, and Lizzie, R. 4, Grants Pass, Ore., 1914
- Crumpacker, Anna, McPherson, Kans., 1908
- Horning, Dr. D. L., and Martha, 1136 Michigan Ave., Topeka, Kans., 1919
- Horning, Emma, 400 So. Homan Ave., Chicago, Ill., 1908
- Hutchison, Anna, Easton, Md., 1911
- Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater, Va., 1919
- Smith, W. Harlan and Frances, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1920
- Sollenberger, O. C., and Hazel, ℅ J. W. Coppock, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, 1919
- Vaniman, Ernest D., and Susie, La Verne, Calif., 1913
- Wampler, Dr. Fred J., and Rebecca, Accomac, Va., 1913

AFRICA

Garkida, Nigeria, West African, via Jos

- Burke, Dr. Homer L., and Marguerite, 1923
- Flohr, Earl W., and Ella, 1926
- Gibbel, Dr. J. Paul, and Verda, 1926
- Harper, Clara, 1926
- Helser, Albert D., 1922, and Lola, 1923
- Robertson, Dr. Russell L., and Bertha C., 1927
- *Kulp, H. Stover, 1922, and Christina, 1927
- Shisler, Sara, 1926

* At Dille.

On Furlough

- Mallott, Floyd, and Ruth, No. Manchester, Ind., 1924
- Heckman, Clarence C., and Lucile, Polo, Ill., 1924
- Beahm, Wm. M., and Esther, Elgin, Ill. ℅ General Mission Board, 1924

INDIA

Ahwa, Dangs, India

- Garner, H. P., and Kathryn, 1916

Anklesvar, Broach Dist., India

- Grisso, Lillian, 1917
- Long, I. S., and Effie, 1903
- Moomaw, I. W., and Mabel, 1923
- Shickel, Elsie, 1921
- Stoner, Susan L., 1927
- Woods, Beulah, 1924

Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

- Blickenstaff, Lynn A., and Mary, 1920
- Blickenstaff, Verna M., 1919
- Butterbaugh, A. G., and Bertha, 1919
- Cottrell, Dr. A. R., and Laura, 1913
- Miller, Arthur S. B., and Jennie, 1919
- Mohler, Jennie, 1916
- Shumaker, Ida C., 1910

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

- Ebbert, Ella, 1917
- Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
- Nickey, Dr. Barbara M., 1915
- Roop, Ethel, 1926
- Royer, B. Mary, 1913
- Wolf, L. Mae, 1922

Jalalpor, Surat Dist., India

- Miller, Eliza B., 1900

Vada, Thana Dist., India

- Brumbaugh, Anna B., 1919
- Kaylor, John I., 1911 and Ina, 1921
- Swartz, Goldie E., 1916

Palghar, Thana Dist., India

- Alley, Howard L., and Hattie, 1917

Post Umalla, via Anklesvar, India

- Lichty, D. J., 1902, and Anna, 1912
- Widdowson, Olive, 1912
- Ziegler, Kathryn, 1908

Vyara, via Surat Dist., India

- Blough, J. M., and Anna, 1903
- Brooks, Harlan J., and Ruth, 1924
- Mow, Anetta, 1917

Burjor Bag, Lunsikui, Navsare, India

- Mow, Baxter M., and Anna, 1923

On Furlough

- Ebey, Adam, and Alice, North Manchester, Ind., 1900
- Hollenberg, Fred M., and Nora, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
- Kintner, Elizabeth, Ney, Ohio, 1919
- Miller, Sadie J., R. F. D., Waterloo, Iowa, 1903
- Shull, Chalmer and Mary, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
- Summer, B. F., and Nettie, 3435 W. Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
- Wagoner, J. E., and Ellen, North Manchester, Ind., 1919

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1903,	10,204.24
1904,	11,560.26
1905,	12,871.08
1906,	13,248.00
1907,	15,073.63
1908,	15,813.66
1909,	15,802.93
1910,	17,513.69
1911,	19,255.82
1912,	21,320.15
1913,	23,621.71
1914,	26.888.63
1915,	32,034.61
1916,	32,554.18
1917,	35,597.45
1918,	39,295.66
1919,	41,649.20
1920,	45,084.19
1921,	46,054.55
1922,	47,096.56
1923,	49,808.53
1924,	50,586.86
1925,	52,760.02
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Editorial

APPRECIATION OF PROMPT SERVICE

Just before Christmas the Mission Rooms received a Christmas card from a sister in Indiana. Besides the customary Christmas greetings she wrote, "In appreciation of your prompt and courteous service." Signed, Secretary Local Missionary Committee. The note was greatly appreciated, for the workers in the mission rooms do sincerely desire to give such service. Often the secretaries must be away from the Elgin office and certain matters must wait for their return. We feel keenly aware that at these times our service does not seem prompt.

By way of reciprocation the workers in the Mission Rooms want to express appreciation for the many churches that also give prompt and courteous service. They are always active in promoting missions and are ever ready to coöperate in any good movement.

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WHAT SHALL BE SAID OF DETROIT?

A great Student Volunteer Convention has just been held at Detroit. On our train returning home one frequently heard one delegate ask another, "What is your reaction to the convention?"

It was big, in numbers, in the caliber of the speakers, in the scope of territory from which they came, and in the breadth of idealism characterizing the messages.

Among the impressive thoughts we may mention:

More money is spent today for military preparation in the world than in any year before the World War.

Nations are in closer relationship than ever before, and this requires mutual understandings.

The old-time slogan, "The evangelization of the world in this generation," was absent. In its stead there was emphasis on bringing all relationships of men under the sway of Christ.

President Wei, of Central China, in rejecting a Christianity that is more Western than Christian, stood against producing a religion that is more Chinese than Christian. Dr. Holland said that no religion but that of Christ was seriously bidding for the heart of India. As long as the Hindu seeks to find God in self, no great improvement happens, but when they seek him in Christ conversions occur.

Jesus came, not to found a new religion but to lead men to the truth in religion.

Our motive for missions was questioned.

"Are we doing good to men in order to convert them, or do we wish to convert them in order to do them good?" Hindus are not opposed to Christ, but to interpretations placed on him by nationals of other lands.

One reporter for the convention gave a summary of the student mind: "Four definite results seem to be fairly secure: certainty that the way of Jesus holds the heart of the world when it is made clear; that the cross reveals both way and energy to tread it; that the interpretation of Jesus can never be complete until Eastern as well as Western minds have worked on it; that friendship on the college campus must be the realistic school for wider fellowship. The Detroit convention was dynamic, creative and directive. Its energies focus at a point far beyond the closing hour."

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WHO HAS THE WHOLE TRUTH?

Shall we believe that the Christian Church in America has the whole truth and all other religions in oriental lands are totally false or that our religion is mixed with error while other religions have so much good in them that we have little reason to send missionaries to them?

Probably few will want to claim either statement as their conviction in the matter. Yet it is quite possible that many who are ardent for missionary work have a deep-seated belief in the first statement. Likewise those who hold aloof from the cause may believe the latter. Neither attitude is likely to bring much blessing to the world.

Shall we rather not hold a firm conviction of the truth revealed by Christ, believe firmly in him as the Savior of mankind, hold a definite conviction that true followers are under the compulsion of love to make him known? At the same time shall we not humbly admit our failure to understand our Lord perfectly and that we have not followed him as closely in our thought and conduct as we ought?

Regarding other faiths we cannot but see that in their search for God they have learned much of him. There are people in other religions that possess much of the Christian grace. But viewing other faiths as a whole there is a lamentable lack of the heights of truth we discover in Christ.

Therefore we promote the missionary cause with a definite conviction of a message of truth and salvation, with a way of life that will save men. We also express our desire to learn any good thing which nationals of other lands may teach us. If Gandhi can teach us a truer interpretation of our Lord's words regarding meekness certainly we do not want to be too bigoted to learn from him. If we pool all the truth to be found at home or abroad and do our best to see and walk with God we shall still be in need of divine grace.

The Church and Missions

CHARLES D. BONSACK

Secretary, General Mission Board

For Use in Mission Study

OF course it is the **church** and missions. You could not expect the American Tobacco Company to do it. Nor the Bolsheviki of Russia. Christian missions will not be promoted by the selfish interests of any land. Only those who are moved by the Spirit of Christ will share life and friendship to bring men back to the Father. If the Gospel of Christ is from God it must be for all his creation. Missions therefore are not only the primary work of the church but a test of our own faith. Livingstone said, "Christianity requires perpetual propagation to attest its own genuineness." This explains why the missionary church is always quickened in its own life. New blessing and power came into the apostolic church when it turned to the gentile world with its message of life.

With the nations becoming better acquainted, and the world getting smaller, the work of Christian missions becomes more urgent, difficult, and fruitful; more urgent, because newspapers, travel, pictures, and business are bringing us closer together. We must make them better, or they will make us worse; more difficult, because they know the weaknesses of so-called Christian countries. We, not knowing the thought life of the Orient, often use Western methods and fail to appreciate the sincerity and progress that they are really making. But also more fruitful because the Christian men and women are an increasing leaven of righteousness in their own national life, and help maintain proper relations among all the nations. The increase of men and women of faith and good will who, energized by the Spirit of Christ, will follow him in loyalty at all times, is the only hope of the world peace and the kingdom of God among men.

These changing conditions will require of us more exemplary living. Industrial strife, commercial greed, and ecclesiastical bigotry must yield to goodwill, honesty and humble unity in Christ. Our extravagances must be converted into benevolences, our pride into humility, and our indulgences into self-control and the fear of the Lord. We must learn to love those of other conditions, races, and nations. If we seek to do business with other nations we must radiate the fine spirit of our Christian faith also. If we love our **brethren only,** what do we more than others?

These changes have also brought new problems in the mission fields. These nations once thought all Americans were like the missionaries. They are learning differently and are more critical and fearful of our Western influence. They at least insist on doing some thinking for themselves as they hear of Christ, and read the Bible. The Indian will say, "Jesus said, 'Blessed are the meek,' but the average American or Englishman is even insulted if you call him a meek man." This means that as we preach Christ and organize the church we must permit them to have some thought and responsibility. That they may have self-expression, we must permit them to build and grow within the limits of their means. Self-support is a vital element of growth and progress all around the world. The best missionary is the one who can help others to help themselves. Such missionaries will always find a large field in the building of the church all around the world.

Such service is not easy. It is always easier either to do it yourself or leave it undone. Many of us have failed as parents at this point. It takes genuine devotion, both to the cause and the person, to patiently teach and have faith that beyond their mistakes they will grow into faithful Christian leaders. And they do. Among the many surprises in our visit to the mission fields, none impressed us more than the strong Christian leadership that is developing. To see them work with all the handicaps of centuries back of them gives one new faith in the power of the Gospel of Christ.

What proportion of men and money should be given to this important work of Christian missions? First, we must not forget that crowding these lands with men, or lavishing them with money, will not solve the problem. What they need in men and women is not quantity so much as quality. They need those who have had experience of the grace of Christ and who believe in the redemption and healing of his power for all men. Those who have this experience and can go in sincere friendship to the people of these nations with health, tact, and training—such will find a hearty welcome and a large field of service, and of such there can be scarcely too many anywhere in the world!

As to the proportion of money to be devoted to this cause, there is likely no fixed rule. But if religion has done so much for us, it is a poor expression of love, either to the Lord or to mankind, to spend it so liberally on ourselves, or even in the enjoyment of our church fellowship when millions know not the Lord. Since the evangelization of the world is the first duty of the church, it should have a large claim in any material blessing we may have. The Bread of Life is for all of God's creation. When Jesus fed the five thousand, he may have begun with the first row, but he did not stop there! As long as he kept reaching out to feed the farthest man and child, the bread increased. If we would know the strength of that Hand that feeds us all, we must not withhold, but give out freely in faith and love until all the world may know the power of his love and grace.

Factors Determining Our Missionary Program

C. G. SHULL

Missionary to India

For Use in Mission Study

THE first great element in missionary activity is **evangelism.** The modern missionary enterprise was born of a desire to share with all men the riches of Christ. It was this great desire which led Carey to India, Morrison to China, and Moffat and Livingstonse to Africa. That same urge sent our own pioneers, Stover, Crumpacker, Helser, and Kulp, to their respective fields. There are now 10,000 missionaries from America alone in other lands, and from America, Europe, and the Protestant world at large there has gone forth an army of 28,000. It is a company of folk who "know whom they have believed," and who are convinced that goodwill and life eternal are to be found in Christ.

These lines are being written at the Christmas season. On every hand one sees and feels the joys that come to both old and young through the celebration of the Christmas festival. The basis of all our joy is God's great Gift for the salvation of the world, but in the lands across the seas there are millions of boys and girls, and fathers and mothers, who never have heard the Christmas story. Some of the most happy Christmas seasons the writer has spent have been those in which, along with his family, he has been busily engaged throughout the day in an effort to share with those who have had little opportunity, the Christmas joys and the Christmas spirit. A forenoon of activity among the Christians at the mission station, followed by an afternoon in a village where poorly-clothed but happy children give one of the first Christmas programs ever rendered in that section, gives real pleasure.

But the picture one forms of a missionary and his work must be vastly larger than Christmas, Sunday, or week-day evening religious services.

From the days of Wm. Carey until the present the missionary has been in the midst of conditions calling for a much larger scope of Christian activity. On my table just now is a picture of the grass hut in which lives one of the petty rajas (kings) of the Dangs, the province in India in which the writer worked. Thirty dollars would more than build this house, yet it is the palace of one of the kings of the territory. If this is the king, what of the subjects? Well, aside from their cattle they have little wealth, and as to the number of these the government reported 30,000 for a population of 24,576. It must be remembered that this is one of India's poorest sections, yet the average annual income for the whole of India is estimated at $25 only, or about 50 cents per week. *Irving Fisher, in his recent estimate of annual incomes in America, places the average at $750 or nearly $15 per week. What a contrast! America is rich and **India is poor.** This, generally speaking, is the condition which exists, although America has her poor in places and India a few men of wealth and captains of industry.

Before going to India I had **read** of the millions in Asia who face each day with insufficient food, but it is a different thing to **live** in the midst of such conditions. How can one build up a strong church under such circumstances? How much spiritual food does a hungry man care for, anyway? I well remember a rebuke received one Sunday afternoon in the city of Chicago. A certain brother had been sick for some time, and on this occasion a group had gone into his home to sing for him. As we were about to leave the man said, "I appreciate the fact that you folks have come here to sing for me this afternoon, but do you know the thing we need most in our house just now is some bread." The first need of man is food, and until that need is met there is little profit in considering anything else. And if you have a community in which it is only partially satisfied there will be verified the proverb of Franklin, "It is hard for an empty sack to stand upright."

It is because of this that **industrial schools** and **industrial training** find a place in the

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* "The Indian Outlook," by Holland, page 149.

Builders of Christian Homes. The Product of Our Mission in India

missionary program. Carey began this phase of work in India through many activities, one of which was the organization of an Agricultural and Horticultural Society. (An interesting account of the industrial activities of both Carey and other early missionaries is found in "The Adventure of the Church," page 152 ff, and "The Church and Missions," by Robt. Speer, ch. 3. The latter is one of the Gish Fund books, and your pastor doubtless has it.) The industrial training of missions today includes carpentry, blacksmithing, agriculture, tailoring, weaving, pottery, printing, and a wide variety of subjects, depending on the local needs and circumstances. Out from these schools have gone hundreds of boys and girls equipped to earn more than fifty cents per week.

A second factor entering into the missionary program is **illiteracy.** The 1922 government census of India showed that 86.1 per cent of the men and 97.9 per cent of the women are illiterate. The picture accompanying this article shows a group of young married folks who have all attended the mission boarding school at Ahwa, Dangs. They have now established Christian homes and the men are teachers, evangelists, or carpenters. In 1905, when mission work was first begun in the Dangs, it is probable that the number of Dangies who could read and write could have been counted on the fingers of a hand. Consider the difficulties a mission faces when it enters a community of this kind. How shall one secure teachers for a Sunday-school who can even read their Bibles? And whence shall come village teachers who can teach the three R's simply and impart religious instruction? When one gets back to conditions of this sort he realizes more and more what a distinctly Christian service education is. And it is worthy of note that in the Christian community of India the percentage of illiteracy is only 64.7 and 78.9 for men and women respectively.

More and more in the advanced mission fields government is taking up the responsibility of providing educational facilities for the people. Education is properly a government function, and where government officials are enlightened, progressive and able to do so, they will assume in increasing measure the responsibility of educating their subjects. In some sections of India the need for mission educational activity is becoming less, and in China the government seems to be more and more ready to assume the task. But so long as large percentages of illiteracy prevail in our mission fields the Christian church will have a responsibility toward the educational problem. And it will always be her special duty to provide Christian religious education to all who seek it. Even in America, where State education has functioned so well that only 6 per cent are illiterate, there has arisen within the last decade a new demand for the church to assume the responsibility of moral and religious teaching.

A fourth department of missionary activity grows out of conditions closely related to

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The Dahanu Hospital Serves India

BARBARA M. NICKEY

Budhi and her husband after she had recovered from her operation

BUDHI was in great distress. She could not breathe unless her mouth was open, and even then with difficulty. Eating was a still more distressing ordeal. She found it hard to swallow even liquid foods. This condition had been developing gradually for some months. Finally some one advised her to go to the missionary dispensary, seven miles from their home. Therefore she came, telling her story. Her face was the picture of distress. On examination we found a good-sized tumor almost filling the throat. We advised that it be taken out. Her family felt that an operation was a very serious thing, but the girl's condition was so distressing that they were willing to take the only possible way of relief. Our new Dahanu hospital was just ready for patients, and she was the first one admitted into it. The hour for the operation was set. About eighteen of her relatives and friends came to help with the funeral rites in case she should die. They stood about inside and outside the operating room. When the tumor was removed and they saw that the patient was all right they were so happy. They all crowded around to see it, and some fell at our feet to thank us. The throat healed nicely and she was so grateful to be able to breathe properly and eat with comfort. She and her husband staid in the hospital about a week, and were interested listeners to the Gospel story. After two weeks they returned to see us. Budhi was radiantly happy and living seemed worth-while to her.

Soon after the hospital was opened a wee baby girl was brought to us. Her father had died some months before, and her mother just a few hours before. So this little one needed some one to care for her. We took her and she soon captured the hearts of all who met her. We named her Dayah, which means "mercy." Then several others were brought to us. Some of them were quite weakly and needed much care to bring them back to health. Now their happy faces are a great joy to us all, and to the patients who come. Some who have been here send back presents for the babies.

Recently I was called into the town to see a young woman who had a baby ten days old. She was in a dark, stuffy room, as is the custom for confinement cases. She had been cared for by an untrained native midwife. Now she had developed tetanus (lockjaw) and other infection. I advised them to bring her into the hospital, which they did. She was very ill indeed. A special nurse was put on the case day and night. She was given quantities of tetanus antitoxin. Much prayer was offered in her behalf, and they with us praise the Lord for her recovery. The husband, who is quite well educated, and several others of the near relatives, also staid here. They had an opportunity to hear the Christian message. The husband read the New Testament and "Pilgrim's Progress." He was a most interested member of our men's Bible class, that meets two evenings a week, while he was here. He was given a New Testament to take along home. He writes back that he is studying it, and is much interested in it. Will you not unite with us in prayer that they may continue to search after truth, and find life eternal in him who alone can give life.

The Hospital Verandah—Dahanu, India

Spiritual Experience

EMMA HORNING

Missionary to China

WHAT is the most satisfying thing you ever did? Something that left no regret and you were only eager to do it over and over again, something that thrilled you with a new joy every time you did it. The following is my answer.

The river was frozen hard and smooth; snow covered the ground, soft and glittering; majestic mountains surrounded the city, cold and beautiful in the morning sunshine. We descended from the east gate of Liao, crossed the bridge, entered a valley, climbed the mountain side, and knocked at a village door. We were given a hearty welcome although it was the first time we had been there. We were invited to get on the warm kong quickly with the family and warm our freezing hands and feet by the additional heat of a charcoal burner.

After a short friendly chat we unrolled the picture of the prodigal son and ended with the wonderful care of the loving heavenly Father. Mrs. Liu's interest was intense all through the talk, and when we had finished she exclaimed, "Yes, that is true, every word is true. I know it. My husband died when the children were small, and I had no one but him to trust. Every day I went out into the open court yard and looked up into the sky and said, 'O God, you are all I have to protect and help me.' And when my little son went out on the hillside to herd the sheep each day I just told God again to keep the wolves from harming him. Yes, I had to feed and clothe my children and my dear old mother besides. Then there was the great expense of burying her, and buying a wife for my son and the wedding. Yes, he has helped me through it all and now we have the additional blessing of two grandchildren. I understand what you are talking about. It is true."

Now if this had happened in Christian

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A Program of Education Against War

LORELL WEISS

Student La Verne College

Lorell Weiss, winner of first place

The General Welfare Board of the Church of the Brethren sponsored the recent contest on the subject, "The Outlawry of War." Detroit was selected as the place because many of our college students attended the Student Volunteer Convention there the last week of December.

Seven contestants participated representing as many of our colleges: La Verne, Lorell Weiss, winner first place. Bridgewater, Edward Zeigler, winner second place. Elizabethtown, Margaret Belle Spangler, winner third place. McPherson, Howard Keim; Manchester, Samuel Mohler; Bethany, Clarence Shockley, and Mt. Morris, Stacey Shenton.

The winner of first place, Bro. Weiss, who hails from the Portland, Ore., congregation, is awarded a trip to the World Youth Peace Convention to be held in Holland, August, 1928.

Considering the convictions of the Church of the Brethren on the subject of peace the Welfare Board is to be commended for the development of the student mind along this line.

THE subject of world peace is often considered trite. As a matter of fact it is one of the livest issues of the day. It is certain that war is wrong and ought to be abolished; it is equally certain that we have not yet disposed of the problem. We cannot complacently assume that there will be no more war, merely because we now have a League of Nations or a World Court. These are worthy efforts, indeed, but they have by no means made lasting peace certain for the future.

No organization or treaty is competent to preserve the peace as long as it is possible for selfish or misled chauvinists to stir up animosity and hatred among the masses. At present this is still the case. Distrust and prejudice are manifest everywhere in international dealings, and the next generation is likely to face a terrific temptation to plunge the world into another deadly conflict, for wars have a tendency to come in cycles.

But the next generation will find it possible to resist that temptation if the old suspicions and prejudices are destroyed by the creation of public opinion based on truth and unalterably opposed to war. The hope of peace lies in a program of world-wide education with this end in view. That program must be launched in a definite and positive manner at once. It must have three objectives: the truth about history, the truth about war, and the truth about humanity.

A prime essential in this educative program for peace is truth in the teaching of history. The history taught in our own elementary schools usually represents our country as one that is wholly pure and noble, one that has never done wrong, one whose wars have invariably been gloriously fought in a just cause against base and treacherous enemies. In every nation the historians seek to justify their own side of all controversies. Dr. D. W. Kurtz tells of a book agent who called on him to display a new American history—**two** new American histories, in fact, one for the North and one for the South. In the French and German schools the histories now in use give diametrically opposite versions of the war guilt of 1914.

There can be no harmony among the nations unless there is fairness and confidence in their dealings. Nationalistic history destroys both fairness and confidence. The public opinion which we desire must have truth as its basis, and it must therefore be the result, among other things, of an accurate, verifiable knowledge of history.

But once we begin to teach the truth about history, we must also teach the truth about the causes of war. A dispassionate investigation of war guilt discloses that in almost every case the masses of a belligerent nation are the victims of a pernicious propaganda, disseminated by a small minority of selfish, unprincipled chauvinists who desire war for personal gratification or private gain.

It is now admitted that no authenticated case of German soldiers cutting off little children's hands has been found. The myths of the German "corpse factory" and of the crucified Canadian have been exploded. These lies were deliberately manufactured to arouse the common people to a fury of hatred. The falsehoods have been disclosed, but that hatred is still at work. The masses need to know how they have been victimized, in order that they may be prepared for the future.

They also need to know the truth about the real nature of war itself. For centuries the childhood of the race has been taught that war is glorious. War has been made synonymous with courage, chivalry, and nobility of character. The militarists are still continuing to foster that false ideal among our youth, but they never represent the whole truth. Reference is never made to the battlefield stench of rotting fragments of men, to the inevitable harvest of broken bodies and disordered minds, to the sufferings of widows and fatherless children, or to the moral decadence, that inescapable companion of war.

War is generated by lies, steeped in inhumanity, and followed by sin, suffering, and sorrow. This is the truth about war, and an educational program for peace must teach it to all the world.

But even though we teach the truth about history and the truth about war, our work is not complete until we go still further and teach the positive, constructive truth about humanity itself. The world needs to realize the essential worth of individual personality. We need a vision of the boundless possibilities of coöperative effort. We need to learn that mankind is of one blood and should be of one brotherhood.

Unfortunately, truthful information on the oneness of humanity is not yet overly abundant. There is, however, one reliable and inexhaustible source of truth on this subject. That is the message of the Christ, a message

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Margaret Belle Spangler, winner of third place

Is China All Unworthy?

NETTIE M. SENGER

Missionary to China

THE questions are often asked in these war times, "Does it pay, after all, to work in China?" "Will our labors not all be lost?" "The foreigner might about as well leave. What can he do now?" It is true the war lords are doing all they can to disturb China and are decidedly uprooting some fixed ideas, both in the mission and in the national church. But one who discerns closely can see the hand of the Lord in some of this table-turning. As the nationals are spilled over they are jolted into a new strain of thinking, and as they pick themselves up they find the missionary, too, is thinking and acting differently. As they have time to think they see their duties and responsibilities as never before. They are going to rally to their task and make us glad we had a little part in helping them get started.

I have been back in the field now just one month; and as I had a chance at Tientsin and Peitaiho to think and pray apart from the Chinese, so now I have a chance out in the village to think and pray apart from the missionary body. There is good coming from it. These people are becoming active as never before. Persecution is the result on the part of some outsiders; opposition to us foreigners also exists, but most prominent of all is the way the villages are interested in Christianity and are active to embrace it as never before. The evangelists, without exception here, are working and thinking more than in the past. They are coming into a consciousness that this is **their** work for **their** people.

Last winter in one village there was but one Christian home. They seemed to meet much opposition. They sent a note to me at New Year's time, asking me what to do in the face of such opposition when they were being urged by the village elder to burn incense in the temple as before. I sent back a note of comfort, showing that I was deeply interested and would pray to God to direct them as to what to do. I soon left here and was called to Tientsin, and so heard nothing more until now. On visiting that village again, imagine my surprise and joy at finding the whole village favoring Christianity. The village elder even wants a Christian school there. For the evening service, after a hard day in the harvest fields, about twenty came to worship. I could not but bow my head and thank the Lord for caring for his own. He **will** complete the work he starts. I found a little group of children and adults able to sing well a number of hymns to Chinese tunes. The evangelists were working in my absence. It touches my heart and gives me more enthusiasm to see such interest. It

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Ready for a Tour in Country Evangelistic Work

The Italian Mission

ORLENA WOLGEMUTH

FIRST of all I want to thank my Heavenly Father that he brought me here in answer to the prayers of Brother and Sister Allegri and the Mission Board. Brother and Sister Allegri have served the mission for several years. The field is a needy one and I rejoice that the Lord has placed me here.

Orlena Wolgemuth

In the midst of its surroundings the church stands like a lighthouse. A young Italian girl, a telephone operator in New York City, had been almost hysterical by a condemnation pronounced upon her, but the Lord led Bro. Allegri to visit three families, among which this one was an attentive listener. She shed tears of joy because of the good news that he brought. The next day I was privileged to visit her and I had a thrill, such as the world knows not of, in telling of the Way of Life to one who drank it in so eagerly. She came to Sunday-school the next Sunday and became a member of Sister Allegri's Sunday-school class. I shall never forget how attentively an Italian husband and wife heard about Jesus and his love for the first time.

Many Gospels and tracts have been distributed to the families in the tenements along this street. Very often no results are seen, but as surely as God lives his Word will not return unto him void. Years after this there is likely to be fruitage.

The Sunday-school gives the light of life to the children. In my class are the smallest ones of the school. These eight or ten beginners, with their dark, shining eyes, close them to pray for their mothers and fathers, and little Jean is sure that Jesus answered her prayer. From January to June we had a children's hour on Friday at four o'clock. A Bible story was told and pictures of foreign lands were shown.

Out of the need it has come to pass that the children and I have a children's church downstairs, while the adults are enjoying the message of the pastor upstairs. The parents are glad to come to worship when they are freed from the responsibility of watching their children during that time. The children are learning English in school, and are delighted with a Bible story in English rather than a sermon in Italian. Some of the boys and girls have learned the Beatitudes and the first Psalm. They pray about their childish problems, and I am sure that blessings are coming to this mission because the children are praying. Sometimes children from the streets find their way to our group and we are always glad to have them join us. Last Sunday evening one of the Sunday-school boys brought two strange boys with him. On Feb. 21 nine newcomers worshiped the true God with us. Sometimes these children come to make a disturbance. It is beautiful to see the regular attendants sit quietly and pay no attention to those who try to distract them. They say they are following the Master, and they pray that these others may be given the grace to do so, too. One time a boy who had turned out the light in the entrance and was trying to do mischief, had his attitude changed so completely that he sat still to the end of the meeting, and then asked to have his name put down as a member of the children's church. Praise God from whom all blessings flow! The Holy Spirit is the mighty Power that works in the hearts of young and old. Please pray for us. Your prayers will cause marvelous things to come to pass at this mission.

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"The Maple Grove church has been favored with a summer pastor the last two summers. These pastors are doing very commendable work. If the summer pastors are samples of the product of our schools, more good pastors will soon be in the field for the Church of the Brethren."—C. A. Pearson, Stanley, Wis.

Notes from Our Fields

INDIA

Dahanu

After rereading Dahanu news in the October Visitor read this: Vesta's wife and little daughter, after a few days, returned again to the mission compound. Vesta took every opportunity to go and help his father on the farm during the busy season. A short time afterward his stepmother became very ill. They called in their witch doctor to cast out the evil spirit, but she got no better. The sick woman's brother, a servant of the mission, said the doctor was to be called. Dr. Nickey and a nurse went out, were gladly welcomed into the home, and advised further procedures. That is, asked for her to be brought to the hospital. The next day she came, not to the hospital, but to her brother's house, and remained over two weeks for treatment. As a token of thanks the husband, Vesta's father, sent to the doctor a basket of lovely custard apples, a delicious fruit. This gift was appreciated very much, because it came from this home where less than a year ago there was hatred toward us. God is working in this family. Pray that Vesta's wife will soon be willing to make the step toward Christ.

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The tetanus case remained forty-four days in the hospital, then went home well and thanked God for her recovery. Her husband read the New Testament and "Pilgrim's Progress" while waiting at the hospital. Seed was sown in their hearts, we know. May it never die, but continue to grow.

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Oct. 21 we welcomed Miss Blickenstaff, who just returned from furlough. She and Miss Roop took over the work at once. Each day has been a busy one for them, as the hospital has been quite full.

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Nov. 16 the touring medical motor made its first trip into the district. Dr. Metzger reports thirty-two patients on this first trip. An Indian nurse and Bible woman go with her.

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CHINA

Liao Chow

We are receiving regular correspondence from the Chinese brethren, and have tried to give them direction and encouragement during our absence. They have gotten a course of training in depending on themselves that they could not have learned with our presence, so that the absence of the missionary is a blessing in disguise. The churches on Paul's missionary journeys all matured in his absence. He labored with them a little while and then left them to themselves for longer periods. Jesus told his disciples that it was necessary that he leave them for a while, when he promised the Comforter. The principle is the same the world over. Christians grow and prosper when they are put on their own responsibility. The same is true of churches.

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We have just received from the brethren a letter that was thirty days on the way, whereas, in normal times, it should come through in four or five days. Mail service is completely cut off, so that the postal authorities route the mail way out of its course in order to get out of Shansi. Bro. Chang and the workers there have planned for the yearly routine of specials, to be held the first day of November, and invited either Bro. Yin or Bro. Crumpacker of Pingtingchow to help them. Bro. Crumpacker came and helped in a two days' leaders' class. Thirty odd were in attendance, and they report a good time and a great deal of spiritual inspiration.

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On the 6th of November, Sunday, seventy-three brethren and sisters gathered in the boys' school-building for communion. Bro. Crumpacker officiated at this meeting. The hall was filled with communicants and visitors. Then for ten days Bro. Chang and the evangelists held a Bible class for inquirers. A number of villages were represented. A number of stragglers were there but when the meeting closed there were fifteen who had gathered. At these classes the teachers from the girls' and boys' schools also gave assistance.

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The Bible women of the city are about their work as usual. They report thirteen women in their homes who have volunteered and requested to be taught. On account of this we are very much encouraged. The Woman's Bible School has been moved up to the court adjacent to the girls' school, so as to get the work nearer together. The Chinese are somewhat nervous these days and so prefer to keep close together. The school does not report how many they have, but there is a school going.

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The Liaochow district has had no irregularities to date, but they are in much anxiety over what may befall the province. The cost of living has increased very greatly and food, grain and coal are hard to get, not so much because they are not in the country, but there are no animals to carry them. The military have commandeered all the large animals, so that the Chinese cannot move their products. The mission is out of coal, and uses some of its own carts to take it away from the mines, when the price is twice what we pay for it in normal times. The stores will not receive our checks, and the station is hard up for money. It is a problem to know what to do next, and what will have to be done if the country goes still farther into war.

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Woman's Country Work, Liaochow

Word has just come through from Sister Senger, who says: "If ever the Christians needed our sympathy and love, they need it now. I have made a twenty-day trip in a litter—long distances. It is pathetic beyond words how they have longed for me. The folks can hardly bear to have me out of their sight for fear I will be grabbed up by somebody and not get back. Money is scarce. I am living on a debt being paid me by a Chinese. Otherwise I have no money. A rich home in Chin Chow, however, promised me that if I come to them in need I shall not suffer."

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Liao Chow

Laura J. Shock

Work has been going on in the station very much as usual this fall. We are pretty well cut off from the outside world, but are busy and happy at home.

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The Girls' School teachers, together with Miss Shock, are visiting in the homes of the city after school hours whenever possible. They have been very well received everywhere they have gone so far, even in some homes that they were advised last spring not to enter, because of prejudice against foreigners.

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Bro. Crumpacker spent a few days with us last week, leading a retreat for the leaders of the church here. The meetings were well attended and very much appreciated. "Bro. Crumpacker can certainly move people's hearts," and "we ought to have meetings like these more often" are some of the remarks heard after the meetings closed. On Sunday evening following the retreat, Bro. Crumpacker led a communion service at the Boys' School. The local membership was very well represented, about 75 partaking in the service.

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A Bible class for men and women is now in progress at the church, being led by Mr. Chang, our local pastor. A number of members and enquirers have come in from the out-stations to take advantage of these meetings.

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It is very gratifying to see the enthusiasm with which our Chinese membership takes on added duties and responsibilities in the church work. May the Lord bless them in their efforts to propagate the Gospel in these trying times.

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Shou Yang

Word from the evangelists at Shou Yang indicate that they are well received in the villages. There is considerable unrest and uncertainty manifest among the village people, due to the present tense military situation in Shansi.

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The local evangelists conducted an interesting enquirers' class from Nov. 13 to 18. The first three days the attendance was small, but by the end of the week there were twenty or more enrolled. The interest was excellent. Nov. 19 Bro. Crumpacker came over from Ping Ting and baptized sixteen dear souls into the kingdom. There were seven men, four schoolboys, two women and three schoolgirls.

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The fall council convened on the afternoon of Nov. 19. There were fifty-two members present. Eld. Crumpacker presided. There was no special business. Two letters were received from the Ping Ting church. The church was reorganized for the coming year. Bro. Heisey was elected elder; Sister Neher, English secretary; Bro. Lo I Tang, Chinese secretary; Bro. Chao Fu Ling, church treasurer, and Bro. Ho Lieh Chen, recording treasurer and accountant. Other committees were appointed to carry on the work of the church.

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The church met for communion on Nov. 20. Bro. Crumpacker officiated. Sixty surrounded the Lord's table and partook of the feast.

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Our Daisy Chains. The tomtoms thumped on all night; I could not go to sleep, so I lay awake and looked, and I saw as it seemed, this: At my feet was a precipice, of dizzy depth. Forms of people were making for the edge—a woman with a baby and a little child. She was on the very verge; then I saw she was blind. She lifted her foot for the next step—and trod air. Oh, the cry as she went down! More streams of people came following; they were all stone blind. I wondered with a wonder that was agony why no one stopped them. I saw a group of people under the trees. They were making daisy chains. Sometimes when a more piercing shriek rent the air it disturbed them and they thought it rather a vulgar noise. If one of their number started to get up another would pull that one down, saying, "Why should you get so excited over it? You have not finished your daisy chain yet.—Amy Wilson Carmichael.

The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

The Jerusalem Missionary Conference

From March 24, through Easter Day, April 8, 1928, two hundred men and women, representing Christians of every nation and race, will assemble on the Mount of Olives, outside Jerusalem, for a meeting of the International Missionary Council, the membership of which has been enlarged for this meeting by increasing the representatives from mission fields. Two-thirds of the delegates are to be nationals from India, Africa, China, Japan and other mission lands. The declared purpose of the meeting is "to gain help in regard to those needs which are felt to be deepest and most pressing in the hearts, lives and work" of articulate Christian groups around the world. In other words, the Jerusalem meeting promises to define afresh in terms acceptable to this generation and consistent with conditions and demands in every great mission area the aim, character and scope of our foreign missionary enterprise. The following subjects have been listed for the study and discussion of Jerusalem delegates:

(1) The Christian Life and Message in Relation to non-Christian Systems. (2) Religious Education. (3) The Relation Between the Younger and Older Churches. (4) The Christian Mission in the Light of Race Conflict, Industrial Developments and Rural Needs. (5) International Coöperation.—Missionary Review of the World.

1,000,000 Y. M. C. A. Members

For the first time in the history of the North American Young Men's Christian Association Movement the total membership for the United States and Canada has exceeded the million mark. The present figure is 1,005,714. The official roster for the United States shows a total of 1,581 duly recognized associations with a membership of 961,754 which, with the addition of 43,960 members in Canada, makes the total. The 1,581 associations in the United States have 453,048 voting members. Operating expenditures of the associations in the United States and Canada, together with their State and national agencies and services abroad for the past year, were $57,125,000 compared with $54,161,000 a year ago, and $21,919,000 ten years ago.—Missionary Review of the World.

The Indian on the Nickel

Few people know that the representation of an Indian on the "buffalo nickel" is a likeness of a real person, living now. Still fewer know that he is an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church. He is fifty-four years old, John Two-Guns White-Calf by name, whose father, White-Calf, was a recognized chief and a leader in the Blackfeet tribe, ruling the whole northern part of Montana. Chief White-Calf once captured two guns from another tribe, and "Two-Guns," was thereafter prefixed to his title, which he, in turn, gave to his son. Since White-Calf's time the Blackfeet have had no wars, and John Two-Guns has never engaged in warfare. Like most Indians, John Two-Guns worshiped the Great Spirit manifested by the sun. Not until he was fifty did the Christian Church succeed in gaining him as a member. On Easter Sunday, 1923, he was baptized and received into the Church.—Missionary Review of the World.

Religious Liberty in Turkey

Absolute religious liberty in Turkey is guaranteed by the constitution of the republic. This does not mean that the people as a whole approve this provision, nor that they would regard such a provision in case some Turk decided to become a Christian. The sentiment toward toleration is, however, forming rapidly and several Turks have recently accepted Christian baptism, and openly professed their faith in Christ. An illustration of the disharmony between the constitutional rights and public opinion appeared in connection with statements made by Hashim, a student in Robert College. In 1926 he was brought several times before the courts because of his Christian profession, but the law was upheld, and he was released. In the newspapers' editorial comments little or nothing was said against Hashim, but much was said against the Y. M. C. A. as a proselyting agency. This bitter criticism suddenly ceased one day, and nothing was printed thereafter. It was learned that the cessation of discussion of the subject was the result of direct word from the Angora authorities. Hashim is now in America. Turkish leaders apparently expect the time to come when the Turkish people will tolerate the change of a man's religion from Moslem to Christian without danger of violence.—Missionary Review of the World.

STATISTICAL PICTURE OF THE WORLD'S PROTESTANT MISSIONS

(American and European)

Number of missionaries	29,188
Number of mission centers	4.598
Native staff	151,735
Organized churches	36,246
Other preaching points	50,513
Church members	3,614,154
Total "Christian Community"	8,342,378
Number of Sunday-schools	50,277
Number Sunday-school pupils and teachers	2,535,726
Number of colleges and universities	101
Theological and Bible Schools	461
Kindergartens	742
Elementary schools	46,580
High and middle schools	1,512
Industrial schools	295
Teacher-training schools	297
Total pupils in all schools	2,440,148
Number medical and nursing schools	91
Number missionary doctors	1,157
Number missionary nurses	1,007
Number of native doctors	612
Number of hospitals	858
Number of dispensaries	1,686
Total treatments yearly	11,548,808
Total operations yearly	199,844

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The Greatest Home Mission Field

The Metropolitan Area of New York encloses more than one-twelfth of the life of the United States, while every year its financial institutions, department stores, amusement centers, and educational opportunities attract approximately thirty-five million strangers.

Of it, a writer in the National Geographic Magazine says: "Everything that relates to life in New York is of vast proportions. Four transits arrive every second, a passenger train comes into the city terminals every fifty-two seconds, and a ship clears every forty-two minutes. A child is born every six minutes, a wedding takes place every thirteen minutes, and a funeral is held every fourteen minutes. There is a real estate transfer every twenty-five minutes, a new building is erected every fifty-one minuts, a fire occurs every thirty minutes, and every day more than three hundred people come to the city to live." This, of course, refers only to Greater New York and is by no means adequate for the entire Metropolitan Area.—The Missionary Review of the World.

The Question Box

In Southern Ohio we have a county B. Y. P. D. composed of about one hundred and twenty-five active young people from five churches of Preble County. We have quarterly meetings which we consider very worth-while, but we want to do something more helpful besides for mankind. We are wondering if there is any definite mission project, either home or foreign, that we as a county organization could sponsor. Of course we have our own mission activities in our local churches, but we thought we might be able to do more in this way.

Very sincerely,
Elizabeth Kiracofe,
County B. Y. P. D. President.

The project for the B. Y. P. D. for 1928 is the evangelistic work of our India Mission. It is the biggest project ever presented to the young people of our church; $26,000 will be needed.

As this opportunity will take the combined strength of all of our B. Y. P. D. groups, I suggest your county organization should work on this task. While you will be working at it as a county group, all congregations will receive credit on their missionary quotas for what their departments do.

A leaflet setting forth this movement is available for each of your young people. I am today sending you copies of the poster, "Evangelism in India," which you can use in visualizing this project.

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Suggest a good missionary play for young people. The Color Line, a play about China, price 25c, is modern and worth presenting; 3 male and 3 female characters.

1928 Mission Study Books

FOR ADULTS

The Adventure of the Church: A Study of the Missionary Genius of Christianity, by Samuel McCrea Cavert, general secretary, Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America, author of "Securing Christian Leaders for Tomorrow," etc.

Sketches vividly the expansion of Christianity, summarizes results of the missionary enterprise at home and abroad, analyzes new problems before the church throughout the world, and shows fresh applications of the Christian missionary spirit in the life of today. (Home and foreign.)

Cloth, $1; paper, 60 cents. "Suggestions to Leaders," 15 cents.

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

New Paths for Old Purposes: World Challenges to Christianity in Our Generation, by Margaret E. Burton, executive secretary, education and research division, National Board of the Young Women's Christian Associations, author of "Comrades in Service," "Women Workers of the Orient," etc.

Shows the essentially missionary character of Christianity and emphasizes the duty to apply the missionary spirit to establish just conditions in industry, race relations, internationalism and all other relations of life. Brings out the necessity for coöperation between East and West in the development of the Christian church of the future. A shorter book than Dr. Cavert's. Full of concrete material. (Home and foreign.)

Cloth, $1; paper, 60 cents. "Suggestions to Leaders," 15 cents.

FOR WOMEN'S GROUPS

A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow, by Mary Schauffler Platt, author of "The Child in the Midst," "The Heart with the Open Door," etc.

Prepared especially for use by women and girls. Mrs. Platt's book is of interest to all Christian women and will, in several translations, initiate United Study Around the World—another step toward the Federation of Christian Women of the World. Shows how Christian influences are working toward a better tomorrow. Discusses child welfare, Christian homes, books and pictures, religious education, social progress and world wide friendship. Ready. (Foreign.)

Cloth, 75 cents; paper, 50 cents. "How to Use," 15 cents.

The Story of Missions, by Edwin E. White, formerly missionary education secretary, Board of Foreign Missions, Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A.

A short popular history of missions, home and foreign; valuable as an independent study book or for collateral reading with the books listed above. Written especially for young people, but equally popular with older and younger groups. Ready.

Cloth, $1; paper, 60 cents. "Suggestions to Leaders," 15 cents.

FOR JUNIORS

Our Japanese Friends, by Ruth Isabel Seabury, educational secretary, American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions.

A new and enlarged edition of a popular manual of lessons for the use of leaders of juniors. Includes stories and practical suggestions for programs, activities, worship and study. Ready in July.

Cloth, 75 cents.

FOR PRIMARIES

Kin Chan and the Crab, by Berthae Converse, missionary in Japan, and Mabel Garrett Wagner, specialist in primary methods.

Interesting stories of Japan by Mrs. Converse, around which Mrs. Wagner has constructed a series of lessons which have been actually tried out with a group of primary children. "Kin Chan," the heroine, will win the hearts of American children. Ready in June.

Cloth, 75 cents.

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The lives which seem so poor, so low,
The hearts which are so cramped and dull,
The baffled hopes, the impulse slow,
Thou takest, touchest all, and lo,
They blossom to the beautiful.
—Coolidge.

Selected by Anna Lesh, Goshen, Ohio.

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That is rightly called wasted time which is spent neither in the service of God nor for the good of our neighbor.—Antonio Guevara.

God Can Do Miracles Through You

Loyalty to Our Common Task

J. W. Lear

FEBRUARY. The shortest month of the year. The last month of the fiscal financial year. Just one month to square ourselves with the Annual Meeting Budget. The Council of Promotion suggested $406,300 as the asking for this year. The Annual Meeting delegates at Lincoln raised it $2,000. Up to December 31, just ten months of the year, the churches had sent in $199,271.29, or a little less than 50% of the budget.

Suppose we make February loyalty month and endeavor to close the year without regrets. To do this will require real sacrificial giving. Loyalty to Christ and his church begets sacrifice. The Master's whole life was one of service for others. Fellowship with him in suffering and loyalty to him on behalf of his program will produce success in this undertaking.

We opened up missions in India, China, and Africa. We counted the cost and the Holy Spirit opened the way. These far-flung battle lines are depending on the church in America. It would bring disgrace both on the church and our Master to fail. We dare not do less than our best. If we all pull together, we cannot fail.

February! The shortest month! Let us make it a red letter occasion! Jesus died for these foreign brothers. His love should constrain us to carry the "good news" to them. Paul suffered the loss of all things, that he might win Christ and herald his cause. Such loyalty knows no defeat. If our hearts beat with the same devotion our response will be commensurate with our ability.

February! Loyalty! 100%!

Where Are We In Missions?

Charles D. Bonsack

CERTAIN questions relating to missions persist in coming up. Frequent magazine articles, newspaper reports and public reference to missions, along with the present situation in China, make this quite natural. All of it tends towards confused thinking with many people. As we close our fiscal year the facts deserve consideration, which is attempted in the following questions and answers.

1. **Why is there so much discussion of missions outside of Christian circles?** Several things may contribute to this. First, because newspapers report much news that refers to missions and missionaries. Second, business has been interested in missions alone for the benefit of trade, and any anti-Western

Facts to Face

H. Spenser Minnich

¶ The 1926 Annual Meeting at Lincoln, Nebr., authorized a general church program to cost $408,300 for the year ending February 29, 1928.

¶ For the first ten months, ending December 31, we have received $199,271.

¶ The Church of the Brethren accepts the great commission of our Lord.

¶ We are convinced of the worth of the Christian message.

¶ Surely the world at home and abroad needs the Gospel of Christ.

¶ Let all the congregations register their best before the end of February. Love, rather than coercion should rule in this matter.

Let Us Walk With Christ

M. R. Zigler

A REAL Christian partakes of the nature of Christ. Christ walked the dusty road and made his way through the crowded street, serving the people of his generation, and so lived that his life is still the greatest challenge known to man. Two of the most dynamic words he uttered were, "Go ye." In obedience to this command thousands have gone forth, sacrificing their lives to herald the message of "Peace on earth, good will to men" in the name of Christ our Lord.

In the Church of the Brethren there are many noble followers of Christ. Some have given their lives in actual service on the field, while others have labored on the farm, in the shop, the office, dedicating the returns of their efforts to the support of those who went.

Those who have given as the Lord has prospered have done their full share in obedience to the call of Christ. Others who gave only a share of what ought to have been given, have necessarily limited the work of Christ in the world. Another group of members for some reason do not participate in the great missionary program of the Church of the Brethren. If it is possible for these to give and do not, it is an evidence that they do not believe in the missionary enterprise as inaugurated by Jesus Christ the Savior.

Through our General Conference the local congregations are welded into one great unit. Many congregations give liberally of their means. Some give only a small portion of the income represented in the local membership. Another group do not help.

The individual or the local congregation that gives liberally, according to the action of the church in promoting missions, in a large way makes our present program possible. The church or the individual who gives half-heartedly practically votes that we limit our missionary enterprise. The church or the local congregation that gives nothing, says, "Discontinue our mission work."

We are in this business and we can not get out of it and be Christian. The need is beyond description. The meeting of this need is determined by the will of the Christian people to pour out their lives in service.

The record of 1927 and 1928 is fast drawing to a close. Time can not be turned back. As an individual and as a member of your congregation weigh the importance and influence of your decision.

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about Western sins through newspapers and films. They know the so-called Christian nations led in the World War, and they fear our aggressiveness tends towards imperialism and domination. Western commercialism has invaded these backward nations with similar results. This has led to the discussion of missions, pro and con, with varying degrees of wisdom, prejudice and ignorance of the facts.

2. **What changes have taken place?** Only those growing out of the progress of the work and the change of the times, as indicated above. Experience and progress always bring new points for attack and new methods of work. The doctrine of President Wilson in the World War, the " rights of nations," produced a spirit of nationalism in every land. Especially did the East become more sensitive of the West, but this only brings us to the proper emphasis of the Gospel of Christ in missions, which alone sustains any civilization in so far as it is civil.

3. **Will more missionaries be needed on the foreign field?** Quite likely many more. Succeeding the war and the tide of nationalism that followed, many felt foreign missionaries would no longer be desired or needed. We are now wanting indigenous churches that are self-supporting and self-propagating, rather than extensive Western institutions. The Christians in the well-established mission fields must now be helped to build such churches as they can support and in which those who hear the Word gladly can find a church home. This requires a new approach, patient sympathy, a knowledge of the thought-life of the people, and a conviction of faith in the Gospel that radiates life and hope and discovers ways and means for its perpetuation and growth. On the fields we asked this question about more missionaries. Almost always the answer was, " Yes, more, as long as they are sympathetic and helpful," or words of similar meaning. Experience teaches that six or seven missionaries must go out every year to maintain a working force of 100 active missionaries. Because of age, sickness, death, and other reasons, the number is thus reduced on the average.

4. **What are the larger problems now on the mission fields?** How to create a self-supporting and self-propagating church is one of the biggest. There are many others, such as creating a Christian literature with all the language difficulties, adaptation in buildings, establishing proper educational facilities in harmony with government rights and duties, building right ideas of Christianity into their thought-life and customs, rendering help in the proper way to secure economic progress and independence, and many others that will challenge the finest Christian training, faith, and manhood we possess.

5. **What is the special trouble in China?** It is the militaristic rivalry between political leaders as they try to establish some form of democratic government. It is similar to the problem of America of more than a hundred years ago with a very different background. Their situation has been complicated by the attention of outside nations with errors of unwise treaties and commercial aggression which is difficult to adjust now with no central government in China. (Continued on Last Page of Insert)

allege? There is such a possibility, as is well evidenced by commercial concerns that go that way, when they do not know when to put on the brakes. The Mission Board has been in about such a predicament. Heretofore budgets and plans have been made—yet with limitations—on a basis of " faith " in the support of the church which puts its O. K. on the engagement of new workers and the opening of new fields, instead of " works " with regard to actual money support. It seems timely to follow a different policy in the future.

The Mission Board, different perhaps from other church interests, has large commitments, with a big personnel and building equipment all at long range in various parts of the world. The regular pay roll of several hundred American and native people is large. Ready adjustment by " hiring and firing " help according to the peaks and valleys of the giving of the church is not so readily made. Perchance the giving of the church in a short time should drop one-half or more. It could hardly be avoided that $100,000 would be spent before most of the work could be closed up and workers established in other vocations. But no one is thinking of closing up work already so creditably established after many years. " Faith is still strong in Israel." However, the foregoing shows how easy and unavoidable it is to have a deficit run up on us in a few months' time during which the income from the church is not up to average for the year.

The real cause of our ever-continuing deficit is simply that we have been operating on a too small margin of cash resources. In 1921 the Mission Board had a surplus of $50,000. It might well have retained this as a working balance. But pressure from certain groups in the church influenced the Board in the following years to expand. As it happened, an average of $12,000 annually in the past five years was used in excess of income from living donors, from endowment and the Publishing House, etc. Hence a deficit of $10,000 at the beginning of our present fiscal year. Again, so far this present year there has been disappointment in the giving of the church, which, along with a little larger budget than usual, has resulted in the largest deficit yet.

From henceforth the Mission Board, as a matter of good business, needs to adjust its program to a different basis. No longer can it act on the blind faith that 120,000 people will raise the money that their delegates, after a pleasant trip to Annual Meeting, approve to be spent.

It seems necessary to assume that the church for the time being has reached the saturation point in giving possibilities. It seems apparent that henceforth only such missionary work should be approved as involves an expense not to exceed what the church has given in recent years for missions. Thenceforth the Board must launch out in expansion work very cautiously, or to the extent that the church may create a surplus through increased giving. Meanwhile an effort should be made to save out of receipts over a period of years enough to get back at least that $50,000 surplus of 1921.

But has the church reached its limit in giving? No one knows how

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Words Filled With Wisdom

It is a fallacy to assume that the spirit and morale of our church can be counted on for a stationary work. We need continued activity and advance.

A Village Christian Home, India

Yen Hsi-Shan, so called model governor of Shansi province, China, rules over the territory in which the Brethren work.

Assembling for a Love Feast in a Vyara Village, India

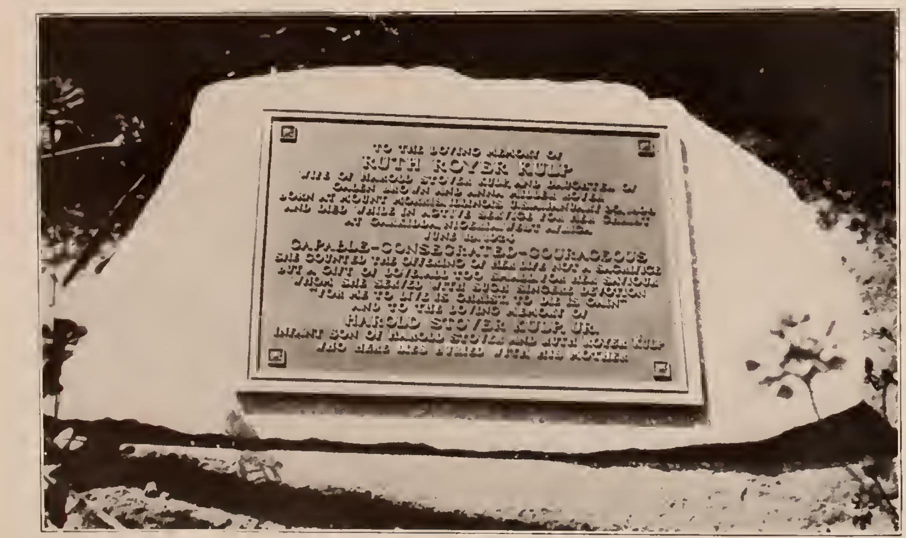

Photo by Clarence Heckman

Ruth Royer Kulp. The mission has erected this plate as a token of love over the gravestone of their departed capable, consecrated, courageous coworker.

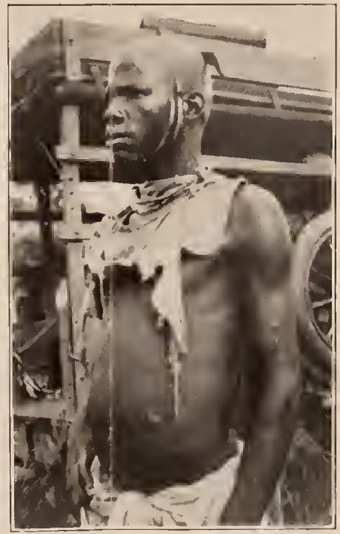

Photo by Clarence Heckman

Tribal Marks. This man, a Kanuri, lives in the tribe north of the Buras where the Brethren work. The marks are made by rubbing charcoal dust and peanut oil into the fresh wounds.

Photo by Clarence Heckman

Effects of Disease

This African girl, Mwada, was turned out into the bush to die or to shift for herself and she came to the mission for help. She had dysentery, malaria, worms, and other troubles. When this picture was taken she had gained five pounds.

Photo by Eliza B. Miller

Grinding the Meal. The girls of the India Boarding School grind meal daily for bread. The girls arise early, and complete their flour making by sunrise.

Danjibhai Ramji, a Strong Indian Christian.. Refused to allow his palms used for toddy, an intoxicating drink. Now a personal worker, his family strong and useful. His son headmaster of school. Picture taken with Brethren J. J. Yoder and Charles D. Bonsack.

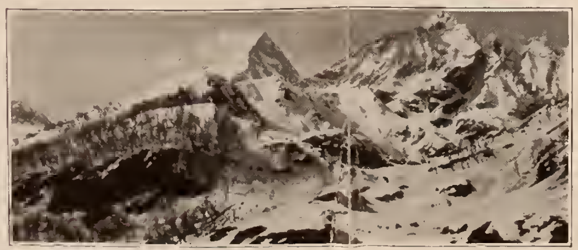

Photo by Mae Wolfe

The Himalaya Mountains of India. Missionaries who must leave the hot plains for physical invigorating get to see this cooling sight.

A J. C. L. Worker. This little girl from Salem, Va., made 1 cent multiply into $1.30 for the Black Brothers missionary project.

Photo by Clarence Heckman

Esther Mae Helser and her Bura friends Yaharakari and Majim. The first named is the wife of Dalta Birma, one of the first to become interested in the Gospel message.

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6. **What effect has this situation in China on Christian missions?** It develops a situation with at least three outstanding difficulties. First, our obligations to our government, which cautions against exposure to dangers in a country amid conflicting armies. Second, the impossibility of making any definite plans in such a state of uncertainty. Third, the duty of protecting life and property, so far as possible, amid the hordes of undisciplined and hungry soldiers over the country who are responsible to no government. To do our duty for Christ, whose Gospel more than anything else will help the situation, in the face of these problems is not always simple.

7. **What is the present outlook in China, especially for our own field?** No one can speak with authority on the future. It is the opinion of the writer that many years will elapse before their political troubles are settled. This we feel should urge us on in the mission of Christ rather than to delay. The Gospel will be more needed and likely appreciated by the Chinese people amid these trials. The most of our workers at this writing are at their stations, working unmolested. Others are detained at the coast or elsewhere by military action between them and our field. We hope that before this is read they can return to their work.

8. **What is the greatest hope or evidence of progress in any mission field?** There are many, indeed. Strong individual men and women who are miracles of the grace of God, the increasing number of families with men and women of actual Christian experience at the head of them, and the uplift of womanhood, all give great promise for the future. Already Christianity in India has more girls in school than either the seventy million Mohammedans, or the 240 million Hindus. The improved conditions of health and useful citizenship coming from the hospitals and schools, and different viewpoints of life and hope, show much to thank God for everywhere. The radiating life of Christ affects politics, governments, and even other religions. No man can measure the effects of the rays of the Light of Christ when he is lifted up among the nations! Life is bursting forth in new places with increasing power and hope!

9. **What can we do at home to help the work?** Take some active part in it. Believe, pray, give, or go, as the Lord may direct, but get in it in a way worthy of the cause and call of God. Nothing means as much to heaven or earth as a faith in the Gospel that enables us to give it to all men and nations for their hope and healing. Then let each of us so behave in love and peace, in righteousness and godliness, that our own nation may radiate no uncertain light. Every effort in evangelism, wholesome teaching, and Christian living, helps all around the world. There was never a more hopeful day for the Gospel. All of its problems are but those that come in the progress of it. Only faithlessness and selfishness will postpone the triumph of his grace and kingdom!

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much it gives altogether, but government statistics and those of such eminent economists as Prof. Irving Fisher, help us to believe that our church gives to the Conference Budget less than one-tenth of one-tenth of its annual income. After allowing for the larger part of its giving to local congregational needs, and to the colleges, does it not seem ridiculous that we give annually but $2.50 on an average per member to our national budget, and our per capita income not less than $300? We are still trailing the list among thirty denominations as givers to missions. We are as good as we are only because we let 11,000 of our members in seventy congregations pay 30 per cent of our budget. Their average is diluted much by 47,000 of our members in 500 congregations who pay but five per cent of our bills. But this second group has an average membership of but ninety-four to a congregation, and many of these are for practical purposes "dying" or "dead" in spiritual activity. The balance of power, as to whether the church goes forward in response to the "Go ye" commission, or retrenches, lies with another group of 500 congregations with 70,000 members. We **know** which these are, and that generally they are among our best established churches in the "Dunker" belts of Pennsylvania, Virginia, Ohio, and Indiana. If these alone would annually average per member but a paltry $1 more than at present, our immediate financial problem would be solved. Future expansion could then be controlled in the light of normal increase in giving by the church over a period of years. This should be expected if statistics are reliable.

Now, to clear up some erroneous impressions that are said to exist:

(1) That it costs too much to get the mission dollar to work. Well, it costs one and one-half cents of it to have a treasurer and a bookkeeper to receipt, write checks and letters, and keep books. Who believes this is exorbitant or unnecessary expense? Then it takes normally about two cents of each dollar to maintain the General Secretary's office, and who would say the General Secretary is a parasite on the church? Who among us believes

Send remittances to reach Elgin before February 28, so they will be credited in the fiscal year just being closed.

Make checks payable to Clyde M. Culp, Treasurer. Send to 22 South State St., Elgin, Ill.

that a railroad can be maintained by section hands without a "boss" to represent the great corporation and execute its orders? However, it does cost about seven cents more to "promote" the interests of missions, publish the free Missionary Visitor, and maintain the office of the Council of Promotion. If it could be foreseen that the church would not slump in giving, and might even improve in this grace, everyone immediately interested would just as soon see these departments closed up. It seems to be our human weakness, which makes necessary constant prodding to keep us spiritually awake to our full Christian obligations, that results in this extra seven-cent slice of our dollar.

(2) **That a Board with not far from $2,000,000 in assets can somehow "get by" and continues to maintain a deficit as a flare.** Let it be known that there are no assets on hand or in sight, nor any prospective outside income with which to cover the deficiency in giving of the church. The deficit is real! Most of the Board's assets are tied up as endowment, obligations to living annuitants, and other trusts. Not a penny of this principal money dare be touched regardless of how badly the church slumps in giving to current needs.

(3) **That too much money is spent in traveling by Board members and secretaries.** Considering the tasks the church has assigned these individuals, the money outlay is small indeed. Clergy rates, and special concessions by the railroads, granted frequently to heads of church denominations, make this expense but a small fraction of the total budget.

(4) **That sending a deputation to foreign lands costs more than it is worth, and is a pleasure trip at the expense of the church.** Such trips are only in line with good business principles that close supervision of field activities may be exercised intelligently by the Board which is charged by the church with tremendous responsibilities. Not a man yet deputized to go went without a reservation of reluctance in having to leave family and home and take a hazardous chance of never coming back. The majority of these men would have preferred personally not to go. However, about every so often some one has to make the sacrifice.

(5) **That high salaries are paid at Elgin headquarters.** As salaries go, in a large city so close to Chicago, with high rents and living costs, our secretaries get no more than in general the numerous pastors in the city. It is impossible for any one on the pay roll of the church to get rich on his salary unless he choose to live the life of a miser.

Let us not search for occasion to criticise. Let us bear with one another in our common task to make Christ a witness everywhere. Let us give more, cheerfully and not of necessity. Let us pray more, and earnestly, for all the workers in the harvest field of the world that they may be faithful, and that many souls won for Jesus be their and your reward.

Missionary Projects for 1928

B. Y. P. D.

The Evangelistic work of the India Mission to cost $26,000 has been assigned to the young people of the church. The college students are taking their share.

Junior Church League

The medical work of the India field to cost nearly $7,000 is assigned to the children of the church.

All Other Groups

The Share Plan of support is offered as a method by which any group in the church may help. By this plan a definite support is promised for a specific work on one of our fields. In return the contributors will receive letters of information about their work. Shares are issued in the work of Home Missions as well as from India, China and Africa.

Money contributed by any of the foregoing plans gives conference budget credit to the congregation from which the support comes.

Send for leaflets explaining these methods. Address

GENERAL MISSION BOARD
Dept. E
Elgin, Illinois

FACTORS DETERMINING OUR MISSIONARY PROGRAM

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the others. Intellectual and spiritual ignorance, poverty, superstition, and harmful social customs create the need for the **medical** missionary. Out of every 100 babies born in Bombay, India, sixty-six die. The annual death rate for the country at large exceeds 30 per thousand (*) as over against 12 in Great Britain and America. The need for medical help is a constant pull on the heartstrings of a missionary. Just now there comes to the mind of the writer one who has performed a unique service in this field as a layman. Gifted with great natural ability, he has presented Christ through his medical ministrations.

In 1923 there were in India and Ceylon 100 medical missionaries, operating 701 hospitals and dispensaries, with 4,590 hospital beds. More than three million people received medical treatment. Who can measure the influence of such a force? And aside from an evangelistic influence its own intrinsically Christlike service is a sufficient credential.

And so in evangelism, industrial training, education and medicine, one has the fourfold program of the foreign Christian enterprise. The Christian program in other lands aims not only at individual conversion, but in a still larger way it seeks to embody and to generate the Christ spirit of human service and world brotherhood. Abundant testimony of its success is available.

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* "The Indian Outlook," Holland, page 149.

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A PROGRAM OF EDUCATION AGAINST WAR

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of truth, of righteousness, of fair dealing, of meekness, of love. Down through the centuries has echoed its plea, "Little children, love one another even as I have loved you." In that message lies the final solution of humanity's difficulties, for Jesus, more powerfully than any other, has urged men to cease their strife and to seek in fellowship and coöperation the solution of their common problems. Instead of division, Christ teaches the unity of mankind: and that is the third essential in our program of education for peace—the truth about humanity.

These, then, are the essential objectives of this plan to outlaw war by education: the truth about history, the truth about war, and the truth about humanity.

But how are they to be achieved? In this program no agency is to be despised. The League of Nations, the World Court, treaties for the peaceful settlement of disputes, the efforts of the various peace societies, and the power of the church should all be utilized in furthering this campaign of education.

But the campaign must particularly seek to promote intercourse among the students, the scholars, and the social thinkers of all nations and races, for such intercourse is one of the greatest factors in promoting international good will. The best plan, embodying a definite and competent program toward this end, is the plan, suggested in substance by Dr. Kurtz and others, of building an international university at The Hague or at Geneva.

The purpose of this institution would be to provide comprehensive courses for the teachers of social science the world over. Scholarship requirements would lead every nation to send all its leading professors of history, political science, economics, and sociology to this university before they could be considered fully prepared for their work at home. In the spirit of international and interracial fellowship, rising spontaneously out of the nature of such a group, they would seek to determine the absolute truth in relation to the various problems of world harmony. They would seek the truth about history, about war, and about humanity; and when they returned to their work in their own countries they could not help but become the proponents of international goodwill.

The problem of finance, ordinarily an extremely difficult one, could be solved in a satisfactory manner. At present we have before us the prospect of an endless controversy over the war debt. Whether it be canceled as the debtor nations desire or paid according to the wish of the creditors, the money involved is likely to be used for militaristic purposes; and either arrangement is sure to generate ill-will in some quarter. Then why not use the money for peace instead? Why not use it to launch

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Evangelistic Work in the Home Land

WHILE in pastoral work at Springfield, Ohio, during the summer of 1925, Brother and Sister S. Z. Smith received a call from the General Mission Board to give their time during the summer of 1926 to mission work in the Southland. Early in February, 1926, they began at Fruitdale, Ala., and continued in ten and twenty-one days' meetings at Citronelle, Ala., Roanoke, La., and Rosepine, La. From here they went to North St. Joseph and Essex, Mo. Six churches were visited in evangelistic efforts, while in passing several other churches were visited. They drove 5,030 miles, visited in 653 homes, visited and gave public talks in twenty-seven schools, attended seven love feasts, administered six anointings, visited and had prayer in ten homes. Fifty-four were received by baptism, and six reclaimed. Besides this, Sister Smith had a class of Juniors in Bible readings and contests in nearly all of the churches. In these a wonderful response was given. Letters have been received from these churches, from Bro. Smith, and by the General Board, stating that the meetings have increased their attendance at Sunday-school and church services in a very marked way.

During the months February to August, 1927, they visited fifteen churches in the South and East. Meetings were held in the following churches: Piney Flats, Johnson City, Boone's Creek, Knob Creek, all of Tennessee; George's Creek, Cherry Grove, of Maryland; Pleasant Valley, Shiloh, Valley River, and Bethany, of West Virginia. Number of sermons, 315; baptisms, 158; visits, 951; total miles driven, 10,659.

The South field is needy; it is ready for the sickle. The Eastern field is already taken, but needs reviving, and the greatest lack just now in many instances is live and aggressive leadership. There are many fine young people just ready to follow if given encouragement in their activities. Brother and Sister Smith say that no greater-hearted folks live than those in the South and East where they have been. Who will be ready to develop this great people in real church activities, such service as will save souls?

Bro. Smith expresses the following conviction: "Some fields can be wisely worked in ten days; others need three and four weeks. It always resulted in a sad truth, that ten days was too short a time to do the lasting work which should be done in some of these new fields. A leading up to real foundation work can not be done in connection with evangelistic work in ten days. We believe less territory should be considered and a more thorough work be done in each field. There is a time for natural seed and harvest, and there is also a seasonable time for a soul. Often, just at the time of the very gathering, because of close-scheduled program the meetings must close and peradventure not in the lifetime of a soul will there be such an opportunity again, because of burning convictions which, just then, need to be fanned into a glow of real conversion and regeneration.

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A PROGRAM OF EDUCATION AGAINST WAR

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this educational program centering around the international university? Let the United States take the initiative; let the European powers feel that they are in this manner making a contribution to a worthy cause; let the whole plan seek the friendship and support of all nations.

Friends of the cause of peace, if the next generation yields when that periodic war temptation comes, the world will be plunged into the most deadly war of history. It will be a war fought with poisonous gases, terrifically destructive explosives, and virulent disease germs. Destruction of life and property will not be confined to the battlefield. Noncombatants, innocent women and children, our own loved ones among them, will be the objects of intentional attack.

Of what vital importance is it, therefore, that war and all its adherents be outlawed before that catastrophe can come. We can realize our hopes only through a program of world-wide education against war; a program to dispel ignorance, prejudice and deceit; a program to teach every man to see and act upon the truth; a program founded on the principles of the meek and lowly Nazarene. The welfare of the world depends on that program. It must not fail.

The Women's Department

Conducted by Nora M. Rhodes
DALLAS CENTER, IOWA

News from Women's Missionary Societies

LANARK, ILL.

THE Woman's Missionary Society at Lanark, Ill., meets the second Thursday of each month, 2 P. M. We are using the book, "A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow," for a study book this year, and we follow the outline in the Visitor pretty closely, with an idea of our own now and then. We have special music, a reading or some miscellaneous program at each meeting. We serve at each meeting not more than three articles of food, such as sandwiches, pickles, and coffee. Each one pays ten cents each time we meet. This goes into the treasury and does not pay for the lunch. Our hostess in whose home we meet is assisted by two others who help furnish the lunch.

We quite often serve the alumni banquet for our high school, and sometimes the united Fathers and Sons' banquet for all the churches. Bake or food sales are quite popular in our town and give every member a chance to contribute, and always bring us good returns. We have helped our own church by helping to finance the redecorating of the interior, buying knives and forks and some needed dishes; also an individual communion set. We gave liberally to the General Mission Board, to the flood sufferers and we gave the Fresh Air Children of Chicago two weeks in the country at Silver Creek, Ill. We gave all the Sunday-school scholars up to the juniors 25 cents to invest and increase for Africa mission work.

We have a visiting committee of three who visit the shut-ins and sick each month and report their visits at the following meeting. They take fruit or flowers, to be paid for by the society if they choose. This committee is composed of different ones each month. We have placed the Messenger in homes that could not take it.

We have a good attendance at each meeting and we hope much good has been and will be done. Mrs. Ben Matheas.

SOUTH BEND, IND.

About five years ago a Women's Missionary Society was organized in the First Church of the Brethren at South Bend, Ind. Many of the sisters of the congregation, realizing that the time spent in the Ladies' Aid Society was too brief to be divided between practical work and any very extensive study of missionary problems and conditions, urged the forming of the new society. This was effected in January, 1923. Since then the meetings have been held on the first Thursday of every month.

There is no membership list, other than that every sister of the congregation is considered a member, helping to shoulder the great task of the church missions. The organization has been a very simple one. The president, assisted by the other officers, appoints chairmen of social, program, and devotional committees. The president is a member of the program committee. By including the chairman of the devotional committee on the program commitee, the devotions can be made to harmonize better with the work of the afternoon. The program committee has full charge of planning the work for the year. The social chairman sees that some one is selected to make and serve tea and act as hostess if the meetings are held at the church rather than in the homes.

During the first year, besides the study of various missionary needs, the book, "The Vanguard of the Race," was studied. One meeting was given to the making of six layettes for our missionaries to use for the Chinese babies. A local organization was assisted in like manner. The following years much time was spent studying the different mission points of our own church and the biographies of the workers on the fields. It has been a real privilege to have at different times addresses from missionaries home on furlough.

This year we are following the programs found in the Missionary Visitor from month to month, for this winter's work, and find them very helpful.

The society has interested itself also in local conditions. Talks have been given by the leader of the local Rescue Mission; a worker in a Negro community house and herself a Negro; and leaders in other local missionary societies.

Each year the society has sponsored a Mothers and Daughters' banquet. This provides one evening meeting that the younger children and working girls may attend. Everything possible is done to make the meal dainty and attractive and the program interesting and instructive. In May, 1927, Sister Frank Crumpacker was the principal speaker, and music was furnished by the younger sisters. One meeting during the summer is Children's Day, when the program is entirely the work of school-age children. Recitations, playlets, and music of a missionary type are used. This is done to keep little minds thinking along missionary lines.

The society has allied itself with the other missionary societies of the city through the Federated Missions, and thereby is able to keep in touch with and help financially with the home missionary needs. Our society has also supported a child of a foreign missionary family, raising $100 yearly for this purpose. The finances have always been free-will offerings. Perhaps regular dues is a good plan to secure funds, but here the Lord has found hearts to work through, and there has never been a lack of funds for any work that has been undertaken.

Whatever the kingdom may have gained financially through the societies' labor has been more than repaid in added inspiration and enthusiasm for missionary work. Only in the measure that we put ourselves into a labor of love are we able to receive a reward. Mrs. C. M. Yoder, Pres.

TYRONE, PA.

The Tyrone Missionary Society was started and organized on April 24, 1927. Feeling the need of a society, nine women met and decided that the Tyrone church could do its bit in the missionary line of work, if we would just make up our minds to do so. We elected officers and decided to hold our meetings the third Thursday of each month at the church, each member paying dues of 10 cents each month. Our leaders are chosen alphabetically, and we open our meetings with a devotional period, which consists of the singing of songs, scripture reading, and prayer. After the devotional period, the subject which was chosen at the previous meeting is discussed. We do not have a special monthly missionary program to follow, but we have selected our subjects on the conditions in China, India, and Africa. We have studied the conditions and wants of our home missions and of our church missionaries at home and abroad. We never realized what interesting facts there were about missions until we had started a society, and we all look forward to the next meeting. After the discussion of the evening has closed we hold our business session. We sometimes have special music or recitations, which help to make the meeting an interesting one.

For the special missionary offering asked for by our Mission Board each year, we were able to contribute this year $12. We have not been able to decide on a name for our society, but hope to do so soon. Our society expects to put forth a special public program in the future, which will consist of a missionary play, entitled "Tired of Missions," and some special music and readings. At this program we expect to lift a silver offering, which will be used where it is needed most. It may be in our home community or elsewhere. We gave one basket donation to make some one happy on Thanksgiving Day, and were glad we could do this.

Since the time of beginning the society, we have grown to a membership of 22 and we hope to gain others. If any church group is hesitating in starting a society, just take the Lord at his word and receive the blessings and help that are yours in his giving. Mrs. Marie Stapleton.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR MISSIONS

Feb. 24, 1928

An observance of the Day of Prayer for Missions will be held by women of practically all the churches and in all countries. It is hoped that no individual woman and no society will fail to participate in its observance. The programs, "Breaking Down Barriers," may be ordered from the General Mission Board. They may be used as given or modified to suit local conditions. Start preparations for the meeting early. Price of program, 2c each, $1.75 per hundred.

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MONTHLY PROGRAM OUTLINE FOR WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

Text—A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow.
Chapter 6—World-Wide Friendship.

1. Hymn—I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord.
2. Scripture—Mark 9: 33-37, following with pps. 191-192.
3. Prayer Period.
4. Hymn—In Christ There Is No East Nor West.
5. Current news on Peace Relations. See current papers; Literary Digest useful.
6. Let two women represent the two principles among the recognized cures for war. (1) Coöperation, pp. 199-206. (2) Education, 206-220.
7. For closing read together the chapter on Love, 1 Cor. 13.

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BIRTHDAYS OF OUR WOMEN MISSIONARIES

March

"Now I beseech you . . . that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me."

20—Elizabeth Kintner, India, now on furlough.
23—Mae Wolf, India.
28—Sadie J. Miller, India, now on furlough.

Pray for our missionaries.

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WOMEN HELP MIGRANT LABORERS

Specialized agriculture has grown and a large migratory population has come into existence. Laborers for the season are employed who move from crop to crop as the season advances, making permanent homes impossible. The children are deprived of secular and spiritual education and of the better home influences. This constitutes a challenge for our Christian women. Women's organizations of twelve denominations have coöperated in this movement. In the eastern States they have put on programs from four to eight weeks, according to the local conditions. The coöperation of managers of eastern canneries has been helpful. The workers at the stations were college girls who responded to this opportunity for service.

The children responded to the teaching, and many times the mothers attended evening classes. Bible stories were told, verses were learned and gospels of Mark given to the children. Undernourished children received special attention and first aid was a daily occurrence. The daily program includes a day nursery, play-ground work, lessons in American citizenship, sanitation, home making and Christian living, with Bible stories and prayer.

The latest development has been in the Northwest among the hop pickers and the apple harvesters in the Hood River Valley, Oregon.

The young people in the Alaskan canneries, the children in the beet fields of Colorado and Michigan all need this type of service.

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America for Me!

"Just today we chanced to meet
Down upon the busy street,
And I wondered whence he came,
What was once his nation's name.
So I asked him, 'Tell me true,
Are you Pole or Russian Jew?
English, Irish, German, Prussian,
Belgian, Spanish, Swiss, Moravian,
Dutch or Greek or Scandinavian?'
Then he gave me this reply,
As he raised his head up high,
'What I was is naught to thee,
In this land of liberty;
In my soul, as man to man,
I am just American!'"

Lost Opportunity

A little in Christ's hand goes far.
Yield thy poor best and muse not how or why,
Lest one day, seeing all about thee spread
A mighty crowd and marvelously fed,
Thy heart break out into a bitter cry:
"I might have furnished, I, yea, even I,
The two small fishes and the barley bread!"
—Frederick Langbridge.

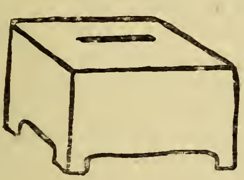
THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY

Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

A MISSIONARY WRITES TO HIS SON

My dear Son:

I hear you have a dog Wag-Wag. I am glad you have a pet. Take good care of him and be kind to him. I hear you have a mite



I hope you have lots of money for it.

I must tell you about the music I have every night at my house. Every night a big

comes and sits in the trees on the mission compound and calls, "Whooo-o whooo-o!" The boys do not like him very well. They want me to shoot him. But why should I get up out of bed to shoot my nice, friendly owl visitor?

Then I have a whole band that plays music for the owl's singing every night. They are the

They live in the river, and how they do play! Booom-booom-booom. The big ones blow and the little ones go "Burrr-burrr-burrr." Sometimes I think there are a million pieces in the band. It makes real bush music.

Have you heard the katydids? Have mother tell you the story of the naughty fairy who broke the fairy queen's grass swing and tried to blame it on Katy. Maybe you will hear the katydids in the evening.

Love,

Your Father.

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THE SNOWBALLERS

Remember how you ran out on the lawn after a nice, soft snow, made a ball with your fists, laid it down and rolled it over and over, this way and that, and it got bigger and bigger, until the lawn was nearly licked clean, and you had a ball so big you could hardly push it any more?

That's what these Junior Leaguers have been doing, figuratively speaking. But the dollars they have rolled up are not just "in your mind," by any means! Read the following reports, and see how the ball has been rolling from coast to coast. Did it cross your lawn? Can you think of any finer fun than the whole gang hurrahing over the healthy sport, each eager to pat on an extra handful?

The Mission Rooms are steam heated, and Africa is a hot country, but the only thing that will melt in the transaction will be the hearts of the Black Brothers, and those who are reaching out hands to them. Then they will run together, and make one spirit, one blood, one brotherhood, with one Lord over all! Aunt Adalyn.

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Oakley's Offering

Here is what the children in the primary department have done for the Black Brothers. Dec. 11 they gave a splendid program and sang a song and as they marched around they dropped their earnings in the basket, all looking happy and glad for the chance to help somebody. Over twenty dollars were earned. Some of them picked berries, some raised chickens, some ducks, and some helped in the harvest field. [A list of 23 names was enclosed.]

Mrs. Mattie E. Blickenstaff.

Cerro Gordo, Ill.

Valiant Virdenites

Mrs. H. B. Martin, superintendent of the primary department, Virden, Ill., writes: "Please find enclosed $20.50 for Our Black Brothers. We have been working and praying for the work in Africa." Appended were the names of twenty children and their respective teachers. Look at their pictures!

Check From the Cave

Please find check which represents the offering of our Juniors to the Junior League African Fund for 1927. By enlisting the aid of the Primaries they were able to raise $60.80. Of this amount $23.56 was given by the Primaries and Beginners. The Juniors challenged the B. Y. P. D. to a race in raising funds and so far they are far in the lead. All the B. Y. P. D. funds for Africa have not been collected.

Weyers Cave, Va. Ernest B. Craun.

Chums on the Coast

Enclosed you will find $25.00 from the Junior Department of the Empire Sunday-school to be applied to the Black Brothers Fund. O, the joy it gives us to see the interest these boys and girls take in our missionary work! We use the first Sunday of each month as Missionary Day, taking up a freewill offering each time. Sometimes we forget to announce it the previous Sunday, but the children don't forget.

Empire, Calif. Mrs. Maude Frick, Supt.

Magnanimous Marylanders

We have had a very pleasant time studying about our Black Brothers and raising money for them that they may know "Jesus loves them too." We gave a program at the close of our work. Our Junior, Primary, and Beginners' studied together. This group raised sixteen dollars. The Intermediate group studied under the direction of Miss Ruth Main. Their offering was $11.55.

Mt. Airy, Md. Helen Main.

Friendly Freeburgers

Inclosed find check for $146.50 for Black Brothers Fund, from Freeburg Sunday-school, N. E. Ohio. We gave fifty cents apiece to twenty-seven scholars to invest and bring the increase. Primaries, 9 pupils, brought $54.50; one Junior class, 6 pupils, $32.00; another Junior class, 12 pupils, $44.00; collected on Children's Day, $16.00.

Paris, Ohio. Amanda Shidler.

Sprouted Seeds From Salem

To five members of our J. C. L. for 1927 I gave one cent each the first of June. One little girl earned $1.30 in three months, selling flower slips; another made 25 cents; another, 10; another, 5. One returned the one cent. The J. C. L. made nine dollars to be sent to Africa: of this, $2.18 is the V. B. S. offering; $1.85 offering taken at picnic; $2.50 selling bookmarks; $1.60 made from one cent; $.87, offering.

Salem, Va. Mrs. O. D. Eller.

Industrious Illinoisans

You will find enclosed a picture of the children in the Junior League who gave a penny every Sunday since June, for the Black Brothers Fund. They are very anxious to have the little bank passed to them every Sunday. We did not start in time to make a big amount, but hope these few dollars will help a little.

Lawrenceville, Ill. Mrs. Dollie Elder.

Pals on the Prairie

Enclosed find $15.43, the money the children have saved this summer. One family of two boys ran errands, sold papers and rags, etc., and earned $5.00. They have a little sister about three years old and they put in one dollar for her. Some children who signed cards quit coming to Sunday-school, so there were not so many who earned this money. Minnie Horsh.

Lincoln, Nebr.

Kindly Keystoners

Enclosed find $10.00, which our class is sending for the children's work in missions this year. We planned to give a missionary talk to the Sunday-school each Mission Sunday, and we need the Visitor to help us with that work. You can send it to the treasurer of the Sunshine Class.

Mrs. Carman Bowser, Teacher.

Kittaning, Pa.

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THE EARTH IS THE LORD'S

A Soliloquy—by a Young Boy

Well, it's been a busy summer for me, and here's what I have to show for it. Isn't that a pretty flock of chickens? Out of all the eggs mother gave me, only one didn't hatch. And what a cunning lot of little woolly yellow peepies they were! They grew so fast that tiny feathers soon began to sprout on their backs. And then—their tails! About half of them had weenty ones, hardly big enough to take hold of. But the other half had perky little quills that stood up and seemed to say, "Guess what I am!" I 'spected they were roosters, but I was sure of it when one morning I heard two or three of them do such a funny little crow.

You can't make a mistake now. Those big

bronze fellows can waken the whole farm early in the morning, and when they see me coming with a bucket of corn, they nearly fall over each other to get to me. I call them my crowing canaries.

When I started out I had the idea of raising chickens for the Lord—a regular missionary flock. I put in lots of time, and never forgot to give them feed and water, and saw that they had good shelter, and they all seem to like me, and—come to think of it, I kind o' wish I could keep them. The eggs would bring me a lot of pin money, and I wouldn't need to ask dad and mother to buy things for me. But those fine fat roosters will have to be eaten some time, and I did promise the price of them to missions, but—it does seem like a lot to give away. I wonder if the Lord really expects so much from a little chap. I know lots of big folks that haven't given that much. Maybe I'd better not decide till tomorrow. (Pause.)

Say, I've got a hunch that the devil is putting that notion into my head. Our minister says he has all sorts of smart ways to make people believe they are all right when they aren't. So I think I'll thrash out this long sword I found in Luke 4: 8:—" Get thee behind me, Satan." And I'll put this rooster money into an envelope and send it to the Mission Board right away, before I get cold.

Aunt Adalyn.

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A FRESH START

No, that wasn't the only race you'll ever run—crossing the 1927 tape for Africa. Take a long breath now, for the hurdles have been set for India. You have seen " His star in the East," and now you are hurrying to interpret its shining to the unseeing millions in the Asiatic tropics.

Your first point of contact will be with their diseased and aching bodies. You will send on happy ships " medicine men " who have prepared themselves for this very thing —to soothe, bind up, restore the broken natives who look around hopelessly for help and health. Through ministry to the body, the medical evangelist probes through to the soul, and many a pean of thanksgiving floats to the Master of miracles and the whole countryside takes on an aspect of peace and beauty.

This is the project for the Junior Leaguers for 1928, beginning with March. The cost of India's medical work for the year will be in the neighborhood of $6,000 or $7,000. The money can be raised in ways similar to those of the past few years. The project will be closed up at the end of 1928. A leaflet on the Junior Church League will be sent if you ask for it. The book studied will be " The Junior League Brings Health to India," 25 cents.

The study of " Our Japanese Friends " continues through January and February. Outlines are printed in Our Boys and Girls. This paper will also outline the India program. Topics for March are: March 4, A Grandmother of India Searches for the Doctor. March 11, A Junior League Visits Our Mission Hospitals in India. March 18, Faithful Christians in India. March 25, How We May Help in India.

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BY THE EVENING LAMP

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I am sending a little money for the Black Brothers. It will be too late for Christmas, but will do for something else. I am a lonely little girl nine years old. My only brother died in May. He was fourteen years old, and I miss him so. My father and mother are living. I have no sisters. Voiletta V. Null.
North River, Va.

What a big, empty place it leaves when a fourteen-year-old boy drops out of the family life! And the only boy! I can easily see how " lost " you feel—no comrade, no childish sympathy, no jolly good times! But if he is now romping the heavenly meadows, let us try to be content that he is so happy. You will go to him some day, and what lovely things he will have to tell you! We are glad that even in your sorrow you are thinking of other Brothers—black ones—who need to learn how to play and to live. You are welcome to our circle. Run in often.

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I want to tell you and the other little workers a little about the workers in Sangersville Sunday-school. Forty-one children signed up to work for the Black Brothers. The majority of them raised chickens, one raised guineas, several shelled and cracked walnuts. One little girl killed flies. Others ran errands and did other things. We are sending you eighty dollars, and hope it will help the little African boys and girls to love Jesus. Esta Zimmerman.
Bridgewater, Va.

That was a generous, heartful gift, and we are sure it will reach some other hearts on the other side the sea. Hear the " Thank yous " flying back, like homing pigeons?

Dear Aunt Adalyn: May I join your circle? I am ten years old and in the fifth grade. I belong to the Brethren church. I am sending you a little money for my Black Brothers. I made most of it doing little things for my papa. He has rheumatism and cannot walk. Vernie Baker.
North River, Va.

How glad your papa must be that you can be feet for him. And glad too that you are sharing your good things with the black babies that need so much!

NUTS TO CRACK

Some New Testament Women

(Find answers in bold-faced letters)

1. This is my niece La**mar; y**ou know her, don't you?
2. On top of the si**lo is** a little flag fluttering.
3. For a ticket to Ecua**dor cas**h is required.
4. Now remem**ber; nice** little girls have good manners.
5. John **can na**il that picket on the fence.
6. These eggs are fresh from the **mart; ha**ve another one?
7. A terrible catastro**phe be**fell the community.
8. He wrote the name of the picture on pa**per "Sis**tine Madonna."

Hidden Word

1 am composed of eight letters.
My first is in fish, but not in duck.
My next is in pleat, but not in tuck.
My third is in tub, but not in pan.
My fourth is in jar, but not in can.
My fifth is in stump, but not in tree.
My sixth is in arm, but not in knee.
My seventh is in turn, but not in twist.
My eighth is in rye, but not in grist.
My whole is a fine month to hold on to your good resolutions.

(Answers next month)

January Nuts Cracked

Broken-up Holidays.—1. Christmas. 2. Thanksgiving. 3. Memorial. 4. Independence. 5. Labor Day. 6. New Year's.

Old Testament Prophets.—1. Nahum. 2. Micah. 3. Amos. 4. Hosea. 5. Daniel. 6. Joel.

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A course of four mission study lessons for juniors. Inspiring, interesting and usable. Sister Minna Heckman with the help of Sisters C. G. Shull and Fred Hollenberg from India prepared this course.

Price 25c.

General Mission Board
Elgin, Ill.

SPIRITUAL EXPERIENCE

(Continued from Page 39)

America you would not have been surprised. But when we found such trust in a loving, heavenly Father in the heart of China, we were surprised. Here was a heart in touch with God already, only waiting the fullness of Jesus Christ. We went regularly to teach her and her neighbors and always received a hearty welcome.

Shortly before we were called away from our work when we visited her the last time, we found her in great sorrow. She poured out her heart to us with many tears. She and her neighbor just had a quarrel about a water jar. She had been unjustly accused and called bad names. This almost broke her heart. In her anguish she had beat her own head till her cap was soaked with blood and her hair was still matted with the clots. She could think of nothing but the injustice. The village elder had required the neighbor to fire off three bunches of firecrackers as an acknowledgment to the public of his wrong, but still she could not forget or forgive the wrong. This experience that she was going through gave us a wonderful text of the forgiving love of Jesus. We had the joy of leading her another step nearer the great God she had been trusting all through her widowhood.

This is an exceptional experience of such trust in God, and it is a great joy to know that God does reveal himself to the hungry, needy heart in any land, but our greatest joy is leading them on to perfection in Jesus Christ. Our work as missionaries is to put souls in touch with God and give them salvation through Jesus Christ. If we fail in this, all is a failure. If we accomplish this, our work is permanent. We can establish churches, and they will continue them. We can be called out of China, and they will carry on the work.

Yes, leading souls to Christ is the greatest joy in life, whether in China or in America or any place else. Try it.

THE VISITOR VALUABLE

The other morning I had just read the curdling account of the murder of Marian Parker and the story of Hickman, who was arrested as the kidnaper and murderer. It was a joy to turn to the letters and read from a good sister in Ohio:

"I so much enjoy the Visitor. I do wish all could appreciate its full worth."

That message gave me a thrill. Here was a mother who was interested in missions and in the Visitor. Of course there are many others equally interested, but she was so stirred that she really wrote about it. And why should she not tell others of the things that bring her joy? What would happen, if just one thousand of our members would become interested in the Visitor, interested to the extent that they would set it down on paper and send it to the office where the Circulation Man would get to see it? Just let a thousand people do that and you'll see what will happen. The Circulation Man.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1927. As of December 31, 1927, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 29, 1928, stands as follows:

Cash received since March 1, 1927 ....$199,228.29

(The 1927 Budget of $408,300.00 is 48.8% raised, whereas it should be 83.3%.)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on December 31, 1927:

Income since March 1, 1927,	$230,662.48
Income same period last year,	244,687.00
Expense since March 1, 1927,	294,422.22
Expense same period last year,	258,047.06
Mission deficit December 31, 1927,	72,644.35
Mission deficit November 30, 1927,	76,447.46
Decrease in deficit for December, 1927,	3,803.11

Tract Distribution: During the month of November the Board sent out 2,823 doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 20: See Visitor for July, 1927, under Missionary Supports, $37.50 to credit of "Helping Hand" Class of Lebanon, E. Pa., has since on request been returned; likewise $18.75 of $37.50 to their credit appearing in Jan., 1928 Visitor has been returned.

November Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during November:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

California—$104.97

No. Dist., Cong.: Butte Valley, $3.35; Oakland, $8.20; N. A. Harmon (Lindsay), $3.00; S. S.: Live Oak, $4.25; Y. P.: Young People's Circuit, McFarland, Lindsay, Laton, and Reedley, $15.22; Indv.: D. S. Musselman, $6.15, ...$ 40.17

So. Dist., Cong.: Rev. C. Walter Warstler (M. N.) (Calvary L. A.), $1; A Sister of Rivera (1st Los Angeles), $50; S. S.: "The Loyal Followers Class" (Pasadena), $13.80, ... 64.80

Canada—$6.55

Cong.: Merrington, 6.05; J. H. Brubaker (M. N.) (Bow Valley), $.50, ... 6.55

Colorado—$5.00

E. Dist., Indv.: Mary E. Haney, ... 5.00

Florida—$4.34

Cong.: Seneca, $3.34; A Cheerful Giver (Orlando), $1, ... 4.34

Illinois—$93.22

No. Dist., Cong.: Sterling, $34.15; B. C. Whitmore (M. N.) (Dixon), $.50; Mrs. W. W. Lehman (Dixon), $1; Mary Barton (First Chicago), $25; D. C. McGonigle (Franklin Grove), $4; S. S.: Batavia, $3.76; Junior League (Chicago, First), $5; Sterling, $5.48, ... 78.89

So. Dist., Cong.: Cerro Gordo, $1; Virden, $6.08; Woodland, $5; Mrs. R. A. Forney (Hudson), $1; S. S.: Romine, $1.25, ... 14.33

Indiana—$1,342.85

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Manchester, $500; Monticello, $25; Ogans Creek, $7.04; Salamonie, $70.20; Walton, $25.95; West Manchester, $34.45; R. H. Miller (M. N.) (Manchester), $.50; S. S.: Bachelor Run, $5; Burnettsville, $9.66; Eel River, $23.98; Salamonie, $92.67; Children's Meeting (Salamonie), $14.63,. 809.08

No. Dist., Cong.: Elkhart City, $155; North Winona, $41; Wakarusa, $10; Yellow Creek, $15.22; J. T. Dickey, (North Winona), $40; S. S.: Auburn, $6.20; Wawaka, $60, ... 327.42

So. Dist., Cong.: Four Mile, $152; Howard, $40; Indianapolis, $4.35; Nettle Creek, $10, .., 206.35

Iowa—$36.03

No. Dist., Cong.: Greene, $3.56; Mrs. W. V. Smith (Ivester), $4, ... 7.56

Mid. Dist., Women's Missy. Soc., Dallas Center, ... 28.47

Kansas—$107.39

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Morrill, $24.61; C. W. Shoemaker (M. N.) (Overbrook), $.50; Mrs. Reuben Myers (Wade Branch), $5; S. S.: Olathe, $7.74; Topeka, $17.31, ... 55.16

N. W. Dist., Cong.: Nellie Albin (Maple Grove), ... 5.00

S. E. Dist., Cong.: John B. Gish (Parsons), ... 10.00

S. W. Dist., Cong.: Garden City, $10.18; Mrs. Mary R. Morelock (Monitor), $5; S. S.: Monitor, $22.05, ... 37.23

Louisiana—$21.20

Cong.: Roanoke, $15.55; Rosepine, $5.65, .. 21.20

Maryland—$288.21

E. Dist., Cong.: Myersville (Upper Middletown Valley), $62.89; Sams Creek & Edgewood, $30; Thurmont, $26.48; Mrs. Lillie Weimer (Washington City), $2; S. S.: Junior Class, Bethany, $7.55, ... 128.92

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Brownsville, $5.25; Longmeadow, $65; Welsh Run, $42.35; A Member (Manor), $35, ... 147.60

W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $5; Georges Creek, $6.69, ... 11.69

Michigan—$66.87

Cong.: Battle Creek, $6.52; Shepherd, $5.35; So. Woodland (Woodland), $25; Thornapple, $25; James Dunbar (Fairview) $5, .. 66.87

Minnesota—$71.67

Cong.: Root River, $63.07; N. B. Nelson (M. N.) (Nemadji) $1; S. S.: Bethel, $7.60, .. 71.67

Missouri—$17.45

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mary M. Cox (Warrensburg, ... 1.00

No. Dist., S. S.: No. Bethel, ... 10.00

S. W. Dist., Cong.: Shoal Creek, ... 6.45

Nebraska—$55.77

Cong.: Afton, $16.15; Enders, $13.11; Falls City, $17.29; Octavia, $5; S. S.: Lincoln, $4.22, ... 55.77

North Dakota—$11.00

S. S.: Egeland, $4; Minot, $7, ... 11.00

Ohio—$334.96

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Center, $10.36; W. Nimishillen, $18; Mrs. Lydia E. Mason (Woodworth), $5; S. S.: E. Bristol (Bristolville), $3; Woodworth, $5.30, ... 41.66

N. W. Dist., Cong.: Black Swamp, $25; Defiance, $47.38; Logan, $29; Poplar Ridge, $16.10; Florence Roberts (Fairview), $5; A. J. Stutzman (Fairview) $2; V. J. Cross (Hicksville), $5; Goldie Farabee (Portage), $5; Max Hartsough & Wife (Portage), $5, ... 139.48

So. Dist., Cong.: Bear Sreek, $4; Trotwood, $3.48; West Milton, $54.86; No. 100766 (West Branch), $25; S. S.: Harris Creek, $11.78; Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater), $39.70; Piqua, $15, ... 153.82

Oregon—$5.00

Cong.: Eugene W. Pratt (Albany), ... 5.00

Pennsylvania—$765.92

E. Dist., Cong.: Harrisburg, $28; Myerstown, $35; Unknown Donor (Elizabethtown), $1; S. S.: "Gleaners' Class" Akron, $5; Chiques, $25; E. Fairview, $29.08; Ephrata, $44.28 Indian Creek, $24.21; Manor (Mountville), $25; Mountville, $31.57; Myerstown,

$15.61; Spring Creek, $4.81; Florin (West Green Tree), $31.78; C. W. S.: Chiques, $18.41; Indv.: Cyrus Westheaffer, $2,	320.75
Mid. Dist., Lewistown, $76.06; Yellow Creek, $10.03; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek), $10; Nora Seiber Keller (Huntingdon), $25; E. T. Cecil Snyder (Snake Spring), $20; Maggie B. Fulton (Stonerstown), $5; S. S.: Sugar Run (Aughwick), $3.67; Maitland (Dry Valley), $6.12; Warriors Mark, $42.49; Curryville (Woodbury), $7.64; Women's Missionary Society, 1st Altoona, $6,	212.01
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Norristown, $7.28; Quakertown (Springfield), $15.91,	23.19
So. Dist., Cong.: Carlisle, $15; New Fairview, $10.62; Mary Bixler (York), $3; S. S.: Brandt Church (Back Creek), $3.81; Hanover, $5.85; Melrose (Upper Codorus), $13.48,	51.76
W. Dist., Cong.: Redbank, $4.09; Rockton, $10; Lucinda Holsopple (Locust Grove), $5; Quinter Wegler & Family (Moxham), $27; D. P. Hoover (M. N.) (Rummel), $.50; Daniel Blough (Shade Creek), $10; S. S.: " Daughters of the Kingdom " Class, Mt. Joy, $25; Rummel, $76.62,	158.21
South Dakota—$13.24	
S. S.: Willow Creek,	13.24
Tennessee—$15.00	
Cong.: Knob Creek,	15.00
Virginia—$313.03	
E. Dist., S. S.: Valley,	15.87
1st Dist., Cong.: Laura P. Beckner (Mt. Joy), $5; Fannie R. Lavell (Mt. Joy), $5,	10.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Cedar Grove & Flat Rock $38.17; Mt. Zion, $9.90; S. S.: Mill Creek, $100; Fairview (Unity), $9.84,	157.91
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Chimney Run, $2.25; Two Sisters (Sangerville), $12; A Family (Sangerville), $100; Chas. B. Gibbs (Valley Bethel), $10,	124.25
So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Nannie Sutphin (Red Oak Grove), $5,	5.00
Washington—$21.24	
S. S.: Mt. Hope,	21.24
West Virginia—$243.85	
Ist Dist., Cong.: Capon Chapel, $23.50; Hinton Grove, $1; New Creek, $29; Red Creek, $27.75; Seneca, $10.60; White Pine, $35; L. J. Bucklew (Bean Settlement), $4; J. D. Beery (Tearcoat), $50; A. E. Shanholtz (Capon Chapel), $2; Minor B. Evans (Greenland), $4; Susic G. Evans (Greenland), $5; I. L. Abe (Old Furnace), $5; Mrs. J. L. Pyles (Old Furnace), $2; Ira Daugherty (Tearcoat), $8; Cora A. Lewis (Tearcoat), $1; Geo. T. & K. E. Leatherman (White Pine), $20; Indv.: O. P. Jones, $10; Unallocated, $6,	243.85
Wisconsin—$2.00	
S. S.: Maple Grove	2.00
Total for the month,	$ 3,946.76
Total previously reported,	31,849.44
Total for the year,	$35,796.20

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND—1926-27

Indiana—$5.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: Blanche Stauffer (1st South Bend),	$ 5.00
Virginia—$33.35	
1st Dist., Students and Teachers of Daleville Academy,	33.35
Total for the month,	$ 38.35
Total previously reported,	2,203.06
Total for the year,	$ 2,241.41

HOME MISSIONS

Arkansas—$20.00	
1st Dist., Indv.: W. H. Clark,	$ 20.00
California—$84.12	
No. Dist., Cong.: Waterford,	32.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Pomona,	52.12
Canada—$45.00	
Cong.: Bow Valley, $40; Indv.: Mrs. W. H. Stutsman, $5,	45.00
Colorado—$73.92	
E. Dist., Cong.: Antioch, $28.92; Denver, $23; Francis Patterson (Sterling), $2; Chas. Ullery (Sterling), $10; Aid Soc.: Haxtun, $10,	73.92
Idaho—$27.00	
Cong.: Z. A. Johnson & Wife (Nezperce), $25; Indv.: Mrs. Hannah Pritchard, $2,	27.00
Illinois—$297.86	
No. Dist., Cong.: Franklin Grove, $106.20; Freeport, $10; Caroline Brown (First Chicago), $5; Mrs. Elizabeth Clark (Mt. Morris), $4; S. S.: Douglas Park (Chicago), $30.75; Polo, $50; Aid Soc.: Batavia, $3; First Chicago, $25; Mt. Morris, $10,	243.95
So. Dist., Cong.: Oak Grove, $6.91; Ben F. Zbinden & Wife (Champaign), $10; Eunice Baldwin (Hurricane Creek), $5; S. S.: Centennial (Okaw). $14; Indv.: Mrs. Eliza Renner, $1; Mrs. Will Rowan, $2; John J. Swartz, $15,	53.91
Indiana—$594.07	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Andrews, $8.87; Eel River, $29.06; Landessville, $8.26; Pipe Creek, $26.65; Sugar Grove House, Prairie Creek, $4.21; Salamonie, $55; West Eel River, $26.50; West Manchester, $65.75; L. T. Holsinger (Delphi), $2; Mrs. Fred Hummel (Sugar Creek), $1.50; Frances Crill (Wabash County), $2.00; S. S.: Beaver Creek, $6.57; " Willing Workers " (Salamonie) $8.45; " Willing Workers " Class (West Eel River), $2; Aid Soc.: Cart Creek, $5; Pipe Creek, $5; South Whitley, $10; West Manchester, $5,	271.82
No. Dist., Cong.: Baugo, $30.85; North Liberty, $49.62; North Winona, $10; Oak Grove, $27.30; Osceola, $6.50; Plymouth, $53.40; Wakarusa, $35.00; Yellow Creek, $31.84; Mrs. Rose Shively (Mt. Pleasant), $2; Aid. Soc.: Plymouth, $17.60,	264.11
So. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Pleasant, $16.31; Richmond, $5; Summitville, $1.83; Upper Fall Creek, $6; Windfall, $10; John W. Flora (Howard), $4; Mrs. Mary M. Peffley (Indianapolis), $5; Aid Soc.: Brick Creek Church, Nettle Creek, $5; Indv.: Mary E. Kaiser, $5,	58.14
Iowa—$503.81	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Ankeny, $21; Bagley, $22; Brooklyn, $19.50; Cedar, $60; Garrison, $12.08; C. Z. Reitz (Maxwell), $31.75; Aid Soc.: Bagley, $5; Garrison, $6.84; Helping Hand, Iowa River, $3; Panther Creek, $7,	188.17
No. Dist., Cong.: Curlew, $26.49; Greene, $30.86; Kingsley, $35.40; Sheldon, $38.69; David & Sarah Brallier, (Curlew), $25; W. M. Lentz & Wife, Waterloo City (South Waterloo), $10; S. S.: Greene, $17.79; C. W. S.: Slifer, $5,	189.23
So. Dist., Cong.: Council Bluffs, $7.88; Mt. Etna, $26.41; South Keokuk, $79; Ada I. Correll (English River), $1; Mahala C. Myers (Salem), $1; S. S.: Council Bluffs, $4.12; Aid Soc.: Council Bluffs, $7,	126.41
Kansas—$495.77	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Appanoose, $27.35; Ottawa, $64.88; Overbrook, $30.03; Ozawkie, $25; Richland Center, $17.20; Washington, $11; Mary Hickerson (McLouth), $6; Shuss Family (Sabetha), $10; S. S.: Primary Children (Morrill), $35; Aid Soc.: Dorcas Aid Soc. (Washington), $5; Indv.: Mrs. Elizabeth Dewitt, $5,	236.46
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Belleville,	13.46
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Fredonia, $22.20; Independence, $12.65; Parsons, $10; A. A. Patteson & Wife (Grenola), $2; J. W. and A. L. Eikenberry (Independence), $5; J. W. Kirkendall (Independence), $5; Lizzie Shank (New Hope), $10; W. B. Worford (Verdigris), $4; Indv.: Fannie Stevens, $4,	74.85
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Larned Rural, $12; W. W. Rexroad and Wife (Bloom), $2; Mrs.	

B. F. Carter (E. Wichita), $1; V. D. Crumpacker (McPherson), $4; Oliver H. Austin and Wife (McPherson), $25; Sophia Dudte (Newton), $100; Mrs. Lizzie A. Lehman (Newton), $2; James Brandt (Pleasant View), $15; Elizabeth Kener (Walnut Valley), $5; Kate Yost (Walnut Valley), $5, ... 171.00

Louisiana—$36.58

Cong.: Rosepine, ... 36.58

Maryland—$307.58

E. Dist., Cong.: Denton, $58.82; No. 101012 (First Baltimore), $25; Mary K. Ebaugh (Meadow Branch), $4, ... 87.82

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Brownsville, $52; Leetown (Berkley), $6.50; E. J. Egan & Family (Hagerstown), $15; S. S.: "Altruistic" Class (Hagerstown), $50, ... 123.50

W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $70; Cherry Grove, $16.26; C. H. Merrill & Wife (Cherry Grove), $10, ... 96.26

Michigan—$74.35

Cong.: Battle Creek, $19; Long Lake, $30; Rodney, $5.25; Harry E. Stern (Midland), $5; S. S.: Grand Rapids, $15.10, ... 74.35

Minnesota—$2.50

Cong.: Mrs. Susan Hanninger & Family (Nemadji), ... 2.50

Missouri—$79.00

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Adrian, $11; Turkey Creek, $18.50; Mary M. Cox (Warrensburg), $1; S. S.: Happy Hill, $8, ... 38.50

S. E. Dist., Cong.: Mary I. Hyde (Broadwater), ... .50

S. W. Dist., Cong.: Carthage, $25; S. S.: Cabool, $15, ... 40.00

Montana—$15.00

Cong.: Kalispell, $10; Indv.: M. M. Moothart, $5, ... 15.00

Nebraska—$181.90

Cong.: Beatrice, $19.80; Octavia, $62.10; Omaha, $14; Bertha C. Willis (Bethel), $1; J. S. Gabel (Lincoln), $25; A. Helper (Silver Lake), $5; Aid Soc.: Omaha, $5; Indv.: Sidney Cripe, $50, ... 181.90

New Mexico—$32.86

Cong.: Clovis, ... 32.86

North Carolina—$18.92

Cong.: Flat Rock, $10.32; Mill Creek, $8.60 18.92

North Dakota—$91.75

Cong.: Carrington, $14; Ellison, $42.75; Surrey, $25; G. F. Michael (Kenmare), $1; Aid Soc.: Carrington, $5; Minot, $4, ... 91.75

Ohio—$928.47

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Center, $12.51; Chippewa, $36.88; E. Chippewa, $15; Goshen, $10.50; Mohican, $9.00; Mrs. Irena Kurtz (Canton City), $5; Mrs. Frank Leatherman (Mt. Zion), $2; Mrs. Harriet Martin (Wooster), $5; Aid Soc.: Kent, $5; Richland, $5; Orrville (Wooster), $15, ... 120.89

N. W. Dist., Cong.: County Line, $19.50; Dupont, $26.85; Lima, $32.22; Marion, $16.60; E. Swan Creek, $6.46; Ross, $25; A Sister (Black Swamp), $5; Mrs. Lois Rodabaugh (Eagle Creek), $2; Sister A. C. Thayer (Lima), $5; S. H. Vore and Wife (Lima), $30; Unknown (Lima), $5, ... 173.63

So. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $35.47; Cincinnati, $21.75; E. Dayton, $45; Greenville, $3.50; Lower Stillwater, $34.65; W. Alexandria, $22.28; J. L. (Covington), $100; S. S.: Georgetown, $25; Marble Furance, $1.30; Aid Soc.: Middle District, $5; New Carlisle, $5; Piqua, $5; Aid Societies of Southern Ohio, $330, ... 633.95

Oklahoma—$89.03

Cong.: Thomas, $77; S. S.: Guthrie, $9.03; Y. P. D.: Thomas, $3, ... 89.03

Oregon—$19.63

Cong.: Albany, $16.63; Russell W. Hunt (Albany), $3, ... 19.63

Pennsylvania—$377.74

E. Dist., Cong.: Elizabeth Snyder (Harrisburg), $4.00; Aid Soc.: Ephrata, $25; Richland, $10; Spring Creek, $10, ... 49.00

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Fairview, $14.21; Tyrone, $30; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek), $1; Mrs. Nettie Glass (First Altoona), $1; A. Jay Replogle & Wife (Huntingdon), $25; Mrs. H. S. Yeatter (Lewistown), $2; Hazel Ober (New Enterprise), $5; Mrs. Lena M. Weaverling (Stonerstown), $1; Wilbur O. Snyder (Tyrone), $5; Aid Soc.: First Altoona, $10; Clover Creek, $5, ... 99.21

S. E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Amwell, $5; Norristown, $10, ... 15.00

So. Dist., Cong.: Chambersburg, $29.18; Mt. Olivet, $14; Mrs. Mary E. Bashore (Lost Creek), $1; Mrs. G. H. Whitcomb (Shippensburg), $2; S. S.: Brown's Mill (Falling Springs), $9.50; Aid Soc.: Shady Grove (Falling Springs), $5, ... 60.68

W. Dist., Cong.: Elk Lick, $5; Glade Run, $10.65; Meyersdale, $73.26; Montgomery, $8.17; Lucinda Holsopple (Locust Grove), $5; Mrs. Wilbur Bloom (Rockton), $1.00; S. S.: Geiger, $13.52; Organized Class (Fairview) (Georges Creek), $10; Pike Run (Middle Creek), $7.25; Willing Helpers Class (Waterford) (Ligonier), $5; Aid Soc.: Geiger, $15, 153.85

South Carolina—$30.00

Cong.: Melvin Hill, ... 30.00

South Dakota—$5.00

Cong.: Willow Creek, ... 5.00

Tennessee—$73.50

Cong.: Johnson City, $13.55; Limestone, $13.50; New Hope, $19; Pleasant Hill, $23.99; Y. P. D.: Pleasant Hill, $3.46, ... 73.50

Texas—$25.00

Indv.: A. L. Patrick & Wife, ... 25.00

Virginia—$207.07

E. Dist., Cong.: Valley, ... 16.67

1st Dist., Cong.: T. Simon Richardson (Antioch), $5; Mrs. M. A. Riner (Chestnut Grove), $2; Mary J. Tucker (Johnsville), $2; Mrs. S. C. Showalter (Troutville), $5; Aid Soc.: Cloverdale, $25, ... 39.00

No. Dist., Cong.: Cedar Grove and Flat Rock, $36.16; Flat Rock, $26.05; Salem, $28.29; Stony Creek (Flat Rock), $8.50; Cora M. See (Linville Creek), $5; H. B. Myers & Wife (Mill Creek), $5; S. S.: Pine Hill, $2.40, 111.40

Sec. Dist., Aid Soc.: Bridgewater, $25; Summit, $5; Valley Bethel, $5, ... 35.00

So. Dist., Indv.: Sarah J. Hylton, ... 5.00

Washington—$41.26

Cong.: Greenwood, $20; No. Spokane, $5.26; Mrs. Zora Baer (Olympia), $1; Indv.: J. M. Arbegast & Wife, $15, ... 41.26

West Virginia—$117.50

1st Dist., Cong.: Beaver Run, $22.89; Eglon, $65.36; Old Furnace, $10; Sunnyside (New Creek), $3; S. S. Kelley Chapel (White Pine), $8.75; S. S. at St. Margretts, $7.50, .. 117.50

Wisconsin—$7.00

Cong.: Mrs. P. B. Hoffheim (Rice Lake), $4; Mrs. Lizzie A. Clair (Stanley), $1; Aid Soc.: Maple Grove, $2, ... 7.00

Total for the month, ...$ 4,903.19
Total previously reported, ... 526.56

Total for the year, ...$ 5,429.75

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

Indiana—$3.00

Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Beaver Creek, ...$ 3.00

Ohio—$5.00

N. E. Dist., Indv.: A Sister, ... 5.00

Virginia—$25.00

E. Dist., Indv.: Carrie S. Pence, ... 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 33.00
Total previously reported, ... 337.74

Total for the year, ...$ 370.74

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Colorado—$4.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: George Rink (Antioch),	$ 4.00
Denmark—$21.92	
Cong.: Vendsyssel,	21.92
Indiana—$18.52	
Mid. Mist., Cong.: Plunge Creek Chapel,	18.52
Montana—$5.55	
E. Dist., S. S.: Galpin Union,	5.55
Nebraska—$50.00	
Indv.: Sidney Cripe,	50.00
Ohio—$4.73	
So. Dist., S. S.: Middletown,	4.73
Virginia—$12.62	
No. Dist., Cong.: Newport (Mt. Zion),	12.62
Total for the month,	$ 117.34
Total previously reported,	2,267.03
Total for the year,	$ 2,384.37

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1927

California—$15.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept., La Verne,	$ 15.00
Colorado—$11.75	
E. Dist., S. S.: Children of Antioch,	$ 11.75
Indiana—$113.32	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Monticello,	81.57
No. Dist., S. S.: Bremen, $20.25; Junior League, Elkhart City, $11.50,	31.75
Iowa—$44.76	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Children of Dallas Center, $35.76; Junior Dept., Iowa River, $9,	44.76
Louisiana—$12.67	
D. V. B. S.: Roanoke, $6.33; Rosepine, $6.34,	12.67
Missouri—$26.80	
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Junior and Intermediate Departments, Broadwater,	26.80
Ohio—$13.60	
N. E. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Black River,	13.60
Pennsylvania—$7.53	
E. Dist., Cong.: David, Helen, Hernley and Robert Madeira (Elizabethtown),	7.53
Texas—$18.83	
Cong.: Manvel, $12.50; D. V. B. S.: Ft. Worth, $6.33,	18.83
Virginia—$5.14	
Cong.: Snow Creek,	5.14
Washington—$19.25	
S. S.: Junior Dept., Wenatchee Valley,	19.25
Total for the month,	$ 287.65
Total previously reported,	493.76
Total for the year,	$ 781.41

B. Y. P. D. FUND—1927

Illinois—$100.00	
No. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Naperville,	$ 100.00
Indiana—$5.25	
Mid. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Hickory Grove,	5.25
Iowa—$18.85	
Mid. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Cedar,	18.85
Pennsylvania—$65.00	
E. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Bareville (Conestoga),	20.00
Mid. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: New Enterprise,	45.00
Virginia—$25.50	
So. Dist., Cong.: Antioch, $14; Burks Fork, $1.50; Snow Creek, $10,	25.50
Washington—$10.75	
C. W. S.: Omak,	10.75
Total for the month,	$ 225.35
Total previously reported,	695.86
Total for the year,	$ 921.21

INDIA MISSION

California—$15.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: Conquerors Class,	$ 15.00
Iowa—$25.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Roscho Royer (Dallas Center),	25.00
Nebraska—$10.00	
Cong.: A. Sister (Alvo),	10.00
Pennsylvania—$43.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: Richland,	18.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Paul P. Hershey (York),	25.00
Washington—$15.00	
Cong.: S. Bock (No. Spokane),	15.00
Total for the month,	$ 108.00
Total previously reported,	1,754.42
Total for the year,	$ 1,862.42

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Florida—$25.00	
Indv.: Eld. J. E. Young,	$ 25.00
Virginia—$45.00	
Sec. Dist., Aid Soc.: Bridgewater, $20; Sangerville, $25,	45.00
Total for the month,	$ 70.00
Total previously reported,	410.00
Total for the year,	$ 480.00

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Iowa—$5.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: So. Keokuk,	$ 5.00
Pennsylvania—$11.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: "Buds of Promise" Class, Carlisle,	11.00
Virginia—$35.00	
No. Dist., Aid Soc.: Western, Mill Creek,	35.00
Total for the month,	$ 51.00
Total previously reported,	623.74
Total for the year,	$ 674.74

INDIA SHARE PLAN

California—$132.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: Empire,	$ 50.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Friendship Bible Class, Pasadena, $32; Loyal Bible Class, Pasadena, $50,	82.00
Illinois—$12.50	
No. Dist., Cong.: Edith M. Scrogum (First Chicago),	12.50
Indiana—$175.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Pipe Creek,	150.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Women's Class, First South Bend,	25.00
Kansas—$50.00	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: "Onward Circle" Class, Sabetha,	50.00
Pennsylvania—$125.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: Bethany Bible Class, Elizabethtown,	25.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Spring Run,	25.00
W. Dist., S. S.: Young People's Bible Class, Beachdale (Berlin), $25; "Sunshine" Class, Maple Spring (Quemahoning), $50,	75.00
Virginia—$25.00	
Sec. Dist., Aid Soc.: Oak Grove, Lebanon,	25.00
Washington—$50.00	
Y. P. D.: Seattle,	50.00
Total for the month,	$ 569.50
Total previously reported	2,949.12
Total for the year,	$ 3,518.62

CHINA MISSION

Arkansas—$1.00	
N. W. Dist., Indv.: Mrs. Mary J. Babb & Daughter,	$ 1.00

Illinois—$38.20	
No. Dist., S. S.: Douglas Park (First Chicago), $27.57; Indv.: No. 101007, $10.63, ..	38.20
Iowa—$25.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Roscho Royer (Dallas Center),	25.00
Nebraska—$10.00	
Cong.: A Sister (Alvo),	10.00
Ohio—$25.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: "Home Builders" Class, West Milton,	25.00
Washington—$15.00	
Cong.: S. Bock (No. Spokane),	15.00
Total for the month,	$ 114.20
Total previously reported,	1,518.93
Total for the year,	$ 1,633.13

CHINA SHARE PLAN

California—$6.25	
No. Dist., S. S.: "Truth Seekers" Class, McFarland,	$ 6.25
Colorado—$10.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: "Carrier Dove" Class, Wiley,	10.00
Iowa—$25.00	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners" Class, Panther Creek,	25.00
Kansas—$75.00	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: "Onward Circle" Class, Sabetha,	50.00
S. W. Dist., S. S.: Eden Valley,	25.00
Pennsylvania—$37.50	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Spring Run, $25; "Willing Workers" and "Sunny Sisters" Classes, Woodbury, $12.50,	37.50
Total for the month,	$ 153.75
Total previously reported,	1,117.34
Total for the year,	$ 1,271.09

AFRICA MISSION

California—$16.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: J. K. Shively (La Verne), $1; S. S.: The Conquerors Class (Pasadena), $15,	$ 16.00
Indiana—$5.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: I. S. Burns (Yellow Creek),	5.00
Iowa—$75.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Roscho Royer (Dallas Center),	25.00
No. Dist., S. S.: "Volunteer Bible Class" South Waterloo,	50.00
Nebraska—$15.00	
Cong.: A Sister (Alvo), $10; A. Helper (Silver Lake), $5,	15.00
Pennsylvania—$114.25	
E. Dist., Cong.: Annville, $41; Richland, $18; D. V. B. S.: Myerstown, $17.25,	76.25
So. Dist., Cong.: Paul P. Hershey (York),	25.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Joy,	13.00
Virginia—$5.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: Castleton,	5.00
West Virginia—$29.10	
1st Dist., S. S.: Beginners, Maple Spring (Eglon), $12; Primary Class, Maple Spring (Eglon), $4.50; Junior Class, Maple Spring (Eglon), $12.60,	29.10
Total for the month,	$ 259.35
Total previously reported,	3,000.70
Total for the year,	$ 3,260.05

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

Pennsylvania—$50.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: No. 100891 (Burnham), $25; S. S.: Spring Run, $25,	$ 50.00
Total for the month,	$ 50.00
Total previously reported,	418.40
Total for the year,	$ 468.40

MINISTERIAL & MISSIONARY RELIEF

Illinois—$5.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: Caroline Brown (Chicago),	$ 5.00
Oregon—$5.00	
Cong.: Mrs. Huldah Metz (Weston), ..	5.00
Virginia—$5.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: H. B. Myers & Wife (Mill Creek),	5.00
Total for the month,	$ 15.00
Total previously reported,	52.50
Total for the year,	$ 67.50

NEAR EAST RELIEF

California—$25.23	
So. Dist., Cong.: Hermosa Beach, $12.85; Inglewood, $12.38,	$ 25.23
Idaho—$1.37	
Cong.: Nezperce,	1.37
Pennsylvania—$132.13	
E. Dist., S. S.: Character Builders', Midway, $10; Elizabeth Martin's Class, Midway, $10: Hannah Binners' Class, Midway, $10; "Willing Workers" Class, Midway, $10; Young Men's Bible Class, Lebanon, Midway, $25; Hopeful Class, Spring Creek, $30; Primary Department, Spring Creek, $7.13, ...	102.13
W. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Elizabeth Mills (Walnut Grove, Johnstown), $5; Junior Department, Walnut Grove (Johnstown), $10; Intermediate Department, Walnut Grove (Johnstown), $15,	30.00
West Virginia—$91.60	
Ist Dist., Cong.: Eglon,	91.60
Total for the month,	$ 250.33
Total previously reported,	692.34
Total for the year,	$ 942.67

ARMENIAN RELIEF

Ohio—$5.00	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: John Culler (E. Nimishillen),	$ 5.00
Total for the month,	$ 5.00
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 5.00

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY FLOOD RELIEF

Kansas—$3.00	
N. E. Dist., Indv.: Effie Steffy,	$ 3.00
Total for the month,	$ 3.00
Total previously reported,	627.83
Total for the year,	$ 630.83

GENERAL RELIEF

Nebraska—$5.00	
Cong.: A Sister (Alvo),	$ 5.00
Oklahoma—$25.00	
Indv.: L. M. Dodd & Wife,	25.00
Total for the month,	$ 30.00
Total previously reported,	51.00
Total for the year,	$ 81.00

CONFERENCE BUDGET

Canada—$35.00	
Cong.: Bow Valley,	$ 35.00
Illinois—$90.83	
No. Dist., Cong.: Elgin, $85; S. S.: Sterling, $5.83,	90.83

Indiana—$160.63	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Bachelors Run, $15; Santa Fe, $8.42; S. S.: Santa Fe, $68.71, ..	92.13
No. Dist., Cong.: New Paris, ...	68.50
Iowa—$61.48	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Yale, ...	14.10
So. Dist., Cong.: Ottumwa, ...	47.38
Michigan—$90.00	
Cong.: Shepherd, ...	90.00
Ohio—$67.61	
So. Dist., Cong.: Poplar Grove, $43; Springfield, $16; Union City, $8.61, ...	67.61
Pennsylvania—$56.66	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Tyrone, ...	20.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Waynesboro, $30; S. S.: Pleasant Hill, Codorus, $6.66, ...	36.66
Virginia—$188.01	
So. Dist., Congregations, ...	188.01
Washington—$15.00	
Cong.: Tacoma, ...	15.00
Total for the month, ...$	765.22
Total previously reported, ...	57,263.93
Total for the year, ...$	58,029.15

CONFERENCE BUDGET DESIGNATED

California—$3.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: Elk Creek, ...$	3.00
Ohio—$10.00	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Wooster, ...	10.00
Virginia—$5.85	
1st Dist., S. S.: Pleasant View, Chestnut Grove, ...	5.85
Total for the month, ...$	18.85
Total previously reported, ...	77.13
Total for the year, ...$	95.98

MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$171.34	
So. Dist., La Verne Cong., for L. A. Blickenstaff and Wife and E. D. Vaniman and Wife, $115.09; Missionary Class, Covina, for Delbert Vaniman, $37.50; Harmony Class, La Verne, for Edward Leland Brubaker, $18.75, $	171.34
Colorado—$35.01	
E. Dist., Miami Cong., for Anna Crumpacker, ...	35.01
Illinois—$775.00	
No. Dist., Franklin Grove Cong., for Bertha Butterbaugh, $200; Mt. Morris College Missy. Soc., for D. J. Lichty, $300, ...	500.00
So. Dist., Cerro Gordo Cong., for Dr. A. R. Cottrell, ...	275.00
Indiana—$225.66	
No. Dist., Sunday Schools for Marguerite Burke Budget and Mary Schaeffer, ...	225.66
Iowa—$700.00	
No. Dist., So. Waterloo S. S. for Mrs. A. S. B. Miller, $275; "Loyal Helpers Class" (So. Waterloo) for Josephine Miller, $50; Primary Department (So. Waterloo) for Marjorie Miller, $50; Intermediate and Junior Depts. (So. Waterloo) for Lorita Shull, $50; C. W. S. and Aid Soc. (So. Waterloo) for A. S. B. Miller, $275, ...	700.00
Kansas—$28.55	
S. E. Dist., Galesburg Cong. for Emma H. Ebey, $21; Parsons Sunday School for Emma H. Ebey, $7.55, ...	28.55
Michigan—29.00	
Three Primary Classes of Sugar Ridge for Haven Crumpacker, ...	29.00
Missouri—$8.00	
Mid. Dist., So. Warrensburg S. S., for Jennie Mohler, ...	8.00
Ohio—$342.08	
N. E. Dist., Hartville Cong., for Anna Brumbaugh, $200; Olivet Cong., for A. D. Helser, $77.08, ...	277.08
So. Dist., Eversole Cong., for J. Homer Bright, ...	65.00
Pennsylvania—$350.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong. & S. S. Albright for Olivia D. Ikenberry, $20; Ellis & Carl Beaver (Burnham) for Minor M. Myers, $140, ...	160.00
S. E. Dist., Green Tree Cong., for Nora Hollenberg, ...	125.00
W. Dist., 7th Circuit S. S.'s for Marie Brubaker, ...	165.00
Tennessee—$212.03	
Congregations for Anna B. Seese, ...	212.03
Virginia—$82.43	
No. Dist., Greenmount S. S., for I. S. Long and Wife, $50; "Martha & Mary's" Class (Linville Creek) for Elizabeth Long, $25, ...	75.00
So. Dist., Burks Fork Cong., for Elsie N. Shickel, $3.71; Burks Fork Cong., for Rebecca C. Wampler, $3.72, ...	7.43
West Virginia—$242.69	
1st Dist., Eglon Cong., for Anna B. Mow,	242.69
Total for the month, ...$	3,301.79
Total previously reported, ...	31,958.35
	$35,260.14
Correction No. 20, ...	56.25
Total for the year, ...$	35,203.89

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IS CHINA ALL UNWORTHY?

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is truly the Spirit of the Lord working. Even the bound-footed women escorted us all the way through the village and watched until our cart was out of sight before they turned their faces homeward.

With all the unrest there is I find it hard to make promises about return visits, but they begged so hard they got a promise that I would return in two weeks when the Chinese lady evangelists go there.

It has paid for me to return to Shansi, even if I should have to go now. With all the unrest there is I do not hope to be able to stay continuously, but I do hope, by the help of your prayers, to be close enough to God to discern his will for me. That is enough. Shansi is in the war now; we are cut off from the coast. If our governor is defeated it may be hard for us evangelists, but we depend on God through your prayers, and that is enough. Pray that China may become Christian. She must decide NOW for Christ, so when she settles from chaos to order she will settle down as a Christian nation. We must not let up because of the war; on the other hand, we must pray more than ever. I know you are praying. That accounts for the divine strength and wisdom given in these trying times.

Chin Hsien, Shansi, China.

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- Bollinger, Amsey and Florence, 1922
- Finckh, Elsie, 1925
- Hersch, Orville and Mabel, 1925
- Kline, Alvin, 1926
- Wampler, Nelie, 1922

Dayton, Va.

- Early, H. C., and Emma, 1925

In Pastoral Service

- Bowman, Price and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
- Eby, E. H., and Emma, 3503 St. Joseph Ave., St. Joseph, Mo., 1927
- Fahnestock, Rev. and Mrs. S. G., 1059 Michigan Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
- Haney, R. A. and Irva, Lonaconing, Md., 1925
- Horner, W. J. and Hazel, 3122 Ellis Ave., Fort worth, Texas, 1920
- Rohrer, Ferdie and Pearl, Jefferson, N. C., 1927
- Royer, Naomi, 1059 Michigan Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
- Showalter, R. K. and Florence, Rose Pine, La., 1926
- White, Ralph and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923

In Evangelistic Service

- Smith, Rev. and Mrs. S. Z., Sidney, Ohio

SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö, Sweden

- Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
- Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

Liao Chow, Shansi, China

- Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
- Senger, Nettie M., 1916
- Shock, Laura J., 1916

Peking, China
% No. China Language School

- Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921, and Lulu, 1919

Ping Ting Chow, Shansi, China

- Crumpacker, F. H., 1908
- Flory, Edna R., 1917
- Metzger, Minerva, 1910
- Schaeffer, Mary, 1917

Show Yang, Shansi, China

- Neher, Minneva J., 1924
- Ulery, Ruth F., 1926

T'ung Chow, Chihli, China

- Flory, Byron M., and Nora, 1917
- Heisey, Walter J., and Sue, 1917
- Oberholtzer, I. E., and Elizabeth, 1916
- Seese, Norman A., and Anna, 1917

On Furlough

- Baker, Elizabeth, 426 E. 51st St., Chicago, Ill.
- Bright, J. Homer and Minnie, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1911
- Ikenberry, E. L. and Olivia, 3343 Whitney Ave., Mt. Carmel, Conn., 1922
- Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, 1031½ W. 34th St., Los Angeles, Calif., 1924
- Clapper, V. Grace, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1917
- Cline, Mary E., 900 Franklin, Roaring Spring, Pa., 1920
- Flory, Raymond, and Lizzie, R. 4, Grants Pass, Ore., 1914
- Crumpacker, Anna, McPherson, Kans., 1908
- Horning, Dr. D. L., and Martha, 1136 Michigan Ave., Topeka, Kans., 1919
- Horning, Emma, 400 So. Homan Ave., Chicago, Ill., 1908
- Hutchison, Anna, Easton, Md., 1911
- Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater. Va., 1919
- Smith, W. Harlan and Frances, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1920
- Sollenberger, O. C., and Hazel, % J. W. Coppock, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, 1919
- Vaniman, Ernest D., and Susie, La Verne, Calif., 1913
- Wampler, Dr. Fred J., and Rebecca, Accomac, Va., 1913

AFRICA

Garkida, Nigeria, West African, via Jos

- Burke, Dr. Homer L., and Marguerite, 1923
- Flohr, Earl W., and Ella, 1926
- Gibbel, Dr. J. Paul, and Verda, 1926
- Harper, Clara, 1926
- Helser, Albert D., 1922, and Lola, 1923
- Robertson, Dr. Russell L., and Bertha C., 1927
- *Kulp, H. Stover, 1922, and Christina, 1927
- Shisler, Sara, 1926

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* At Dille.

On Furlough

- Mallott, Floyd, and Ruth, No. Manchester, Ind., 1924
- Heckman, Clarence C., and Lucile, Polo, Ill., 1924
- Beahm, Wm. M., and Esther, 5800 Maryland Ave., Chicago, Ill.

INDIA

Ahwa, Dangs, India

- Butterbaugh, A. G., and Bertha, 1919
- Garner, H. P., and Kathryn, 1916

Anklesvar, Broach Dist., India

- Grisso, Lillian, 1917
- Long, I. S., and Effie, 1903
- Moomaw, I. W., and Mabel, 1923
- Shickel, Elsie, 1921
- Stoner, Susan L., 1927
- Woods, Beulah, 1924

Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

- Blickenstaff, Lynn A., and Mary, 1920
- Blickenstaff, Verna M., 1919
- Cottrell, Dr. A. R., and Laura, 1913
- Miller, Arthur S. B., and Jennie, 1919
- Mohler, Jennie, 1916
- Shumaker, Ida C., 1910

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

- Ebbert, Ella, 1917
- Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
- Nickey, Dr. Barbara M., 1915
- Roop, Ethel, 1926
- Royer, B. Mary, 1913
- Wolf, L. Mae, 1922

Jalalpor, Surat Dist., India

- Miller, Eliza B., 1900

Vada, Thana Dist., India

- Brumbaugh, Anna B., 1919
- Kaylor, John I., 1911 and Ina, 1921
- Swartz, Goldie E., 1916

Palghar, Thana Dist., India

- Alley, Howard L., and Hattie, 1917

Post Umalla, via Anklesvar, India

- Lichty, D. J., 1902, and Anna, 1912
- Widdowson, Olive, 1912
- Ziegler, Kathryn, 1908

Vyara, via Surat Dist., India

- Blough, J. M., and Anna, 1903
- Brooks, Harlan J., and Ruth, 1924
- Mow, Anetta, 1917

Burjor Bag, Lunsikui, Navsare, India

- Mow, Baxter M., and Anna, 1923

On Furlough

- Ebey, Adam, and Alice, North Manchester, Ind., 1900
- Hollenberg, Fred M., and Nora, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
- Kintner, Elizabeth, Ney, Ohio, 1919
- Miller, Sadie J., R. F. D., Waterloo, Iowa, 1903
- Shull, Chalmer and Mary, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
- Summer, B. F., and Nettie, 3435 W. Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
- Wagoner, J. E., and Ellen, North Manchester, Ind., 1919

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WHAT ABOUT CHINA NOW?

An anxious mother, whose daughter and grandchildren are missionaries in China and have not been able to work at their station during most of the past year, wonders how long this situation is to continue. Everywhere people are asking about China.

The Revolution, begun in 1911, is obviously still in progress; that is, the ideals of social betterment, national unity and democracy, and international equality, for which Sun Yat Sen stood and which are embodied in the Nationalist Movement, have taken firm hold on the thinking of enough Chinese to make them a vital force in the life of the country. But it seems equally clear that the existing Nationalist Government has during the past few months lost ground, not so much in a military sense as in the confidence and support of thinking people, north and south.

The masses are disappointed, and we in the West may wonder if the former sleeping giant is eventually to quiet down to become a sound sleeper again. Thoughtful observers of the situation will readily see that the millennium for China cannot be ushered in suddenly, and that permanent improvement will require long years. China is more hopeful than any of its governments. The seeds for a better day have been sown and are sure to bear fruit.

The transfer of authority for schools and churches has been made from missionaries to Chinese more rapidly and in a more wholesale fashion than one would voluntarily choose; but the specific demands of the government and the pressure of excited public opinion during the past year have brought about in a few months what the missionaries have been planning and praying for through many years. The consequences in the Church of the Brethren missions, so far as one is able to judge, have been almost uniformly happy. From a report the same may be said for missionary work in general throughout China. I am not unmindful that there has been much banditry and violence, but a certain amount of this is inevitable as the accompaniment of a revolution.

Meanwhile, there is a Christian church in China. True, the number of its members may have decreased. A sifting has been going on. A Chinese proverb has it, "The fierce wind reveals the strong grass." The fortitude of the early martyrs has been required, to enable one to stand strong during these disturbed days.

In the face of all this what shall the Church of the Brethren do about China? When a man is in trouble he needs Christ most. When a nation is going through a great transition she needs Christ most. I grant that the church finds ways of presenting Christ difficult under present conditions. But the missionaries and the Chinese Christians who are laboring faithfully on should feel the backing of the home church, and should be conscious of the spiritual oneness of the cause of Christ. If the Chinese are to solve their difficulties they must discover fundamental principles. Where shall they get them? Unhesitatingly we answer, from Christ, from the Christian church. Nothing will save China but a harmonious relation with the great Sustainer of the universe.

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PROGRESS FOR CHINA

One of the outstanding features of the Foreign Missions Conference in January was the announcement by Dr. A. L. Warnshuis, secretary of the conference: "It is quite possible that active negotiations for the revision of treaties between the United States and China will be under way at Washington within the next three months. In fact," Dr. Warnshuis added, "I am informed that at least three leading Chinese have been named by a Chinese government to take part in the negotiations." This announcement was regarded by missionary leaders of all denominations as one of the most important that have been made on the question of the relationship of China to the United States government.

It was pointed out by Dr. Warnshuis that, although there is considerable of a question as to what constitutes the "government of China," since there are three or four contending groups, he hoped the appointment of revision commissions by the present governments in Peking and Nanking would be satisfactory to the American government. It is these two groups, he said, that are now naming the commissioners.

The conference adopted a resolution expressing "gratification at the declarations of the British and American governments of their readiness to consider a revision of the existing treaties with China whenever the Chinese agree to a commission representative of China as a whole." The resolution also expressed the hope that advantage would be taken at the earliest opportunity to begin negotiations.

William Boyd, advertising manager of the Curtis publications in Philadelphia, who recently spent eight months visiting missionary stations of Europe and India, said: "We must, as interpreters of Christ, be forever done with gunboat Christianity, with aeroplane-bombing Christianity, and with poison-gas Christianity." Dr. Rufus M. Jones, professor of philosophy in Haverford College, told the conference, in speaking on "Our Christian Task in a Materialistic World": "We must either stop talking about Christ's ideals of life, or go on talking about them in both word and deed in the fell clutch of hard facts that may spell death to us as he did and they did in whose train we want to follow. There is no other way to build a Christian world—no other way except to be Christlike. We must meet this secular world—its prosperity, its smugness, its hard-boiled philosophy, its utilitarian aims—with a settled conviction that we are going all the way through with Christ and with a burning passion to be like him in life and spirit."

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NON-CHRISTIANS OBSERVE CHRISTMAS IN INDIA

Christmas is becoming a powerful factor in the life of India. Its influence is larger and penetrates farther each year. Christmas gifts are exchanged by many Indians who do not regard themselves as Christians.

In a small single shop in a bazaar in an Indian city, more than 8,000 Christmas cards were sold last year, and the manager of the shop estimated that at least two-thirds were sold to non-Christians.

In some of the larger cities splendid community Christmas services have been held with very good results. All the public is invited, and representatives from Hindus and Moslems have united with the Christians in a public Christmas celebration. Isn't that fine? That is a Christmas present of immortal value.—Correspondence from A. G. Butterbaugh.

An Adventurous Task

M. M. MYERS

Missionary to China

Author's Note.

As this article is written to supplement the outline for the March 25 Y. P. D. program for those who do not have the book, "The Adventure of the Church," by Cavert, referred to in the topic book, I am using the same subject and following in part the author's treatment of it.

AMERICA is called a Christian nation. Many of her first settlers were Christian people, seeking a land free from religious persecution. Many customs and traditions originated in a Christian setting, and Christian ideals are embodied and incorporated into the constitution, intertwined and interwoven into the very fabric of our American life. And many good people have thought that what was American was Christian, and what was Christian was also American. Of course there were always some who realized that there was a marked distinction between the two terms. To have questioned the Christianity of our country would have been shocking to many. And for a while we lived in more or less of that self-complacency.

But in recent years we are finding ourselves in a new world, made so partly by modern inventions and communications. The galleries of the world are listening in on us now and are whispering their approval, and at the same time offering their criticism, much of which cuts to the quick. The impact of our Western civilization has extended to practically every part of the world. Its material progress and marvelous achievements are widely known. It made itself felt both by what it accomplished at home and by the armies of trade and of missionaries which it sent to every nook and corner of the earth, particularly in the Orient. The first contacts of the Asiatic people with the West, mainly through physical strength and military force, were embarrassing to them. Several of the nations sought to study, adopt and appropriate all such things from the West as would serve their purpose to put them on equal footing with their physically superior nations, and Japan has succeeded very well. Students from these Eastern nations flocked to the West to study our ideas and our ideals, our methods and our achivements, our education and our civilization. And they not only learned our strength but also our weakness. They were trained in methods and equipped with ability to evaluate their own civilization and compare it with that of the West. They have studied our Christian religion from the Bible and church history, and observed our attitudes and the way we live. In their own countries they have seen what to them are conflicting elements and inconsistent practices of people from the Occident. The business interests on the one hand are out in these countries for profits, and they exploit the native people to make them; and on the other hand they see the missionaries creating and spreading goodwill and friendship. Often because of their close association with commercial interests that exploit and embarrass, the noble efforts of missionaries are depreciated.

Since having studied and observed the civilization of the West, leaders of influence in the East are challenging the idea that Occidental civilization is superior. Gandhi of India "pictures the West as worshiping worldly success and physical force while India reverences men of spiritual vision. Captivated by the Sermon on the Mount, with its ideals of gentleness, humility, simplicity, and love, he sees the West rendering lip-service only." Claiming Jesus as the greatest Personality of history, he believes India is more true to the essential spirit of Jesus than is England or America. What does all this mean? For one thing, it means that the Orient is reacting against Western civilization, and placing more importance upon their own. It means also that Christianity and Western civilization are not one and the same thing. This ought to help relieve us of that "superiority complex" attributed to the Anglo-Saxon folks, for others do not think as well of us as we are inclined to think of ourselves.

Christianity and Christ. In these days it is not enough to discriminate between Christianity and Western civilization. We must go further and distinguish between what is Christian and what is not Christian; what

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Education Suitable for Indian Life

Aims and Activities of the Vocational Training School, Anklesvar

I. S. LONG

BEFORE establishing this school there had grown up widespread dissatisfaction with mission village secular and Sunday-schools. The lack is mainly that of teachers who not only have a genuine interest in the village folks, but who have the desire and ability to put across what they know in an interesting way.

With the thought of the teacher in view, in the year 1922 our mission drew up the following as a general policy:

The demands of village life should determine our policy.

1. We should aim at a community center designated to touch life at every possible point—intellectual, economic, moral, religious, social.
2. The village worker should be a recognized center and moving agent in community activity, and hence should be given an all-round training so as to be able to touch life effectually. He should be:
   a. A good teacher, capable of conducting a village school along approved lines and according to the best methods.
   b. Able to train village children in developing a school garden.
   c. Able to help the villagers build more sanitary houses. This involves training in hygiene and sanitation, as well as in carpentry and other trades.
   d. Able to teach and assist the villagers in the production of better cattle, of dairy products, and of improved poultry.
   e. Able to lead in the improvement of cultivation and crop production and disposition.
   f. Any and all activities allied with village life are considered a legitimate scope of the teacher's work and hence of his training in school; e. g., masonry, brick and tile making, pottery, tape-weaving, blacksmithing, first aid, etc.

Opening Day of the Vocational School

History

The Vocational Training School was opened June 6, 1924, and 15 young men presented themselves as candidates for the teachers' class. In connection with this class a primary school was opened, which nearby village children attended. At first we had but one teacher, second-year trained, for this primary school, and only about fifteen pupils attended. Year by year this school has improved in both quality and numbers of children. Our own trained boys have been teachers in this school since the first year.

In the first year teachers' class we had two qualified instructors, one whose specialty was that of principles and methods of teaching, and the other, a B. Ag., who taught theory and practice of agriculture.

With the opening of the second session, a year later, all the seventh-standard boys of the mission, together with a second class of

A Fine Pair of Bullocks

The purchase price for this pair of bullocks was furnished a reliable farmer by the Bulsar Christian Coöperative Bank. It loans to farmers, dairymen and wage earners either on real estate or personal security. The common people of India are often under the heel of the money lender. Christians are unable to become respectable because they are slaves to debt. The mission treasurer, L. A. Blickenstaff, has organized this bank and loans are made on reasonable rates of interest.

first year boys, were sent to us, and we began the system of holding the seventh-standard boys for two years and the first-year boys for a year and a half. We have held to the government curriculum and examination in either case, but the curriculum has been enriched to include systematic instruction in the Bible, theory and practice of agriculture, carpentry, English, village social and economic problems, etc. The English is taught as far as possible by the direct method.

For boys in either class a scholarship of seven rupees (a rupee is worth 28c) is given. As a matter of fact, at this place it requires more than this amount for the supply of food for growing boys. The rest of the needed expense for bedding, clothing, incidentals, etc., boys are asked to earn by daily labor, whether in the shop, farm or garden. To give boys an incentive to work and in addition to earning a certain amount monthly, to learn to do by doing, the Project Idea was instituted both inside and outside the school.

We endeavor to get the class or the individual to undertake some purposeful activity and carry it out to a finish. Having a large farm of black cotton soil to operate, and a good carpenter foreman from the start, we began to provide projects in their natural setting. This was held to for intensive or extensive farming, poultry raising, care of stock, etc., as well as for the teacher in the classroom itself.

From the first boys were given individual plots of ground in both field and garden, the net proceeds from which became their very own. Each one needed additional income, and here under the supervision of the agricultural teacher was his chance to earn it. This worked far better than large group activity, we found, and for the first ten months when the numbers were low the boys made a net profit of $1.50 per month. The next two years, being rather poor ones for this district, the boys' earnings were not nearly so much.

The Farm

The school farm contains 135 acres of tillable land, 65 acres of which are cultivated by the boys. The rest is rented. The boys are this year divided into five groups, as follows: The first-year boys, the trades class, and the seventh classes, divided into three groups, according to the districts whence they came. We are not having individual plots this season. Fields are allotted in such a way that each group has a diversified line of crops.

The cultivation is done by the use of three yokes of oxen, furnished by the mission. Two yokes are driven by the boys themselves. A disc harrow and one iron plow of Indian manufacture are used. The general farm work, however, is done by means of the usual country tools, which for the current year happen to have been made by the boys in the school shop.

Boys pay the current rate for the number of days the school bullocks are used by them in their fields. They also pay for seed and incidental expenses. By way of encouragement, they are given the land at low rental, just slightly more than the government tax.

The School Shop

In the shop an effort has been made to keep the instruction on a productive basis. A syllabus is followed to a certain extent, yet we have found that a syllabus must be kept in the background if boys are to advance well beyond the stage of manual training. It is our experience that boys, given a financial incentive that is reasonable, can produce from the beginning something that has value. In this way they advance more rapidly than they would merely by practicing on small models.

The demands of a school shop are wide and varied. Recently a babul tree was purchased from a near-by village. This is now being worked up into plows and harrows, several being for sale, and the rest being kept for use on the school farm.

During the past year the boys under the supervision of the carpenter foreman were called upon to do the carpenter work on several large buildings and two cottages. Doors and windows were supplied for two other houses and several village houses were repaired by our boys.

Then there are always miscellaneous orders for repairs; also orders for chairs, book cases, tables, bread boards, etc. An effort is made to keep the range of projects as varied as possible. Only by such a course can sufficient opportunities for the development of a complete list of skills and practices be offered to the boys.

For the most part the tools used are those found in the ordinary village. Each boy has an adz, plane, try square, foot rule, 3 chisels, 2 mortise chisels, and a small saw. Rip-saws, cross-cut saws, brace and bits, steel squares, etc., are supplied as needed from the foreman's cupboard. Each boy has a small compartment in which to store his tools, under lock and key, and each one has

John Paul and the Office Desk He Made

his own number stamped on his tools by means of a steel die. In this way the loss of tools is reduced to a minimum. Boys pay for tools lost or broken due to carelessness. We have, moreover, thought the boys succeed best when seated on the earthen floor in the usual way.

We are introducing blacksmithing into the shop. Here as in the main shop an effort will be made to provide the boys with opportunities for developing the skills and practices necessary for the making of the iron tools for the average village farm.

Poultry Husbandry

The boys by three-month turns care for a small flock of White Leghorn fowls. This work is new, only one year old here, but it has fortunately paid a modest profit from the start. Due to local conditions, rather substantial quarters have had to be built. These quarters were erected by the boys.

Some work is being done in cross-breeding with country hens. This is done in the hope of developing a fowl that will be able to endure the hardships of the village better than pure-bred fowls are likely to do.

The Coöperative Bank

The question of how best to keep the boys' accounts faces every institution's staff. Boys who work and earn desire to know without a shade of doubt that their accounts are correct and that they are getting all that is due them.

Some of the boys come to us from indifferent homes, where education is not valued. Such come poorly supplied with bedding, clothing, etc. Moreover, while trades boys receive a small income monthly, the boys who grow juwar and cotton have to wait for months before getting into their hands any profits from their labors. It follows that one may have what the other needs. To give the one group a chance to aid the other, and to teach all in actual practice the advantage of coöperation in finance, a school bank was opened Jan. 11, 1927. This makes possible deposit on the part of boys who have earnings, and borrowing in an honorable way on the part of those who need either for personal ends or to finance their growing crops. The bank is really a junior government coöperative society. The regular government forms and methods are used.

Each of the four classes in school elects one member on the managing committee. These four elect one member at large, after which one of the five is chosen secretary. The farm foreman, a graduate of our own school, is advisory secretary of the bank. Deposits at present range from two annas to about eight rupees, and shares sell for four annas each. Any boy who is a member may borrow, and six per cent interest is charged on all loans. The boys themselves drew up the rule that anyone wishing to borrow should bring two members as security, each of whom is to have more money in the bank than the applicant wishes to borrow, and boys who serve as security cannot without special permission withdraw their deposits while loans are in force.

It is too early to speak intelligently of this special venture. At any rate the boys are all pleased with the idea, and confidence is established. The management, moreover, is relieved of the need, apparent or real, for making loans to the boys. This is great gain indeed. The bank provides a quiet yet persuasive force, impelling boys either to stand on their own legs or to look to their fellows for aid in time of need.

The Stores

A small store was opened. Goods are bought at merchants' rates instead of the ordinary retail rates, thus meaning a saving to the boys. One boy acts as merchant and does the work both of merchant and accountant. He sells soap, matches, ink, pens, cloth for all the boys' needs, grain, vegetables, tea, sugar, etc.

Boys take interest in their own store and it is a going concern, and in line with the new education. They are learning many practical things from this venture.

Student Government

The school has had practical self-government from the beginning. Twice only has a teacher butted in, contrary to this principle, and brought upon himself the deserved censure of the group. It is most interesting and encouraging, moreover, the way a group of boys, with a little tactful guidance, will manage their own community affairs. We have no housefather at all. It is true that the head teacher does look after the food bills to see that all have been paid, and that every boy pays his share of the food expense. Also we have one teacher with the boys by night during study period, but he is a helping teacher, merely, and not a police, keeping order.

School committees on the job at present are as follows:

1. The mess committee, who look after all the bazarring for the main group.
2. Lighting committee, who look after the lamps of both school and hostels.
3. First aid committee, who look after the sick.
4. The municipal committee, who look after the premises, keeping them dry and clean, without and within.
5. Social welfare committee, whose duties are to provide entertainment, programs, etc., monthly.
6. The panchayat, who look into all disturbances, apportioning fines, punishment, etc. It is gratifying to be able to say that they have little work to do.

All these committeemen change every month, the panchayat committeemen being the exceptions, and each one serving on committees is elected by ballot.

Illustrative of how self-government works here, I give the following: Certain boys had the habit of being late at the morning prayers. Their tardiness was distracting to the rest. The panchayat decided each one should carry twenty baskets of dirt by way of road improvement. Since then these boys are on time.

Other boys acted as if they had the right to use abusive language to younger boys. After handling several rather difficult cases, with the aid of one of the staff, the group made up their minds that every one will eventually have to abide by the decision of the panchayat, backed up by the group, or else leave the school. The self-government idea in the school has prevailed!

The Cottage System

From the beginning it was our plan to have this system, but for lack of the cottages we could not introduce it till this session. At present, three groups of boys may be found living as families, doing their own bazarring, cooking, managing their own affairs wholly, and they are surely enjoying it, and getting real experience of life. This was not forced upon them, but opportunity was merely given the student body to choose.

Having so much work to do and of varied sorts, it is not our purpose to keep any group in this system for several years, as if preparing them for cooks.

Record of Former Students

Friends on visiting are sure to ask about the record of former students, hence this paragraph. Nineteen young boys have passed out of our first-year class for teachers, and have their first-year government certificate. Several others failed in the examinations. It would be false to say that all these teachers are a success. Some get into this class who should have been sent home after trial. Some expect fine flour from a poor grist. No staff can furnish ability to one who simply doesn't have ability along this line. Some unfortunately fancy teaching more of a gentleman's job than the doing of manual labor.

However, we are able to say we hear

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New Boys' School at Anklesvar

Brother Crumpacker Writes

Ping Ting Chow, Shansi, China, Jan. 2, 1928

ON Dec. 30, 1927, the joint executive committee of the mission held a meeting and decided among other things that the yearly meeting for 1928 should be held regardless of the disturbed conditions. The 1927 yearly meeting did not convene and a good many of the duties of this meeting were either pushed back or performed by the executive committees. This time the plans are to have the meeting during the vacation that is occasioned by the Chinese New Year festivities, which will be in the latter part of January and the first part of February. Our meeting is appointed for Feb. 3. If some unexpected condition does not come in to prevent we will be coming together at that time with a view to transacting the regular business of the mission.

In recent years this has been done by a delegate body and the larger per cent of the delegates are Chinese.

At the recent meetings held the writer was present at most of the sessions, and it was a real joy to see the way the Chinese participated, and also the way they transacted the business.

Several very grave problems were tackled and disposed of. It was very noticeable to see that the committeemen were contending for a solution that would be fair to all.

The budget for 1929 was being passed upon and in a couple of cases it was referred back to the station for revision, so it would not be out of proportion with the calls from other places. There was a real effort to keep the asked-for budget to a minimum. There were calls from one station, asking for a raise in salaries of several teachers. The call was pushed back one year. It is easily evident that living expenses are higher than last year, but the leaders say we will have to suffer some with the rest of the suffering people of China. The writer felt that the effort to be just and fair was several times brought to the front.

Another thing that was in evidence to the writer (especially since he has not been in a general business meeting in China for about three years) was the freedom with which the Chinese leaders discussed problems in which both Chinese and foreigners were involved. There was no spirit of criticism, but there was a spirit of making plans that would get the work done regardless of who was concerned. It was not a disregard of foreigners, but rather a healthy emphasis on what action would bring the greatest good to the work. One could not help but make a contrast in the growth of interest and independence that has come about in the last three years. There was no desire, or even intimation, to get rid of the foreigners, but they regarded the advices of the foreigners every time when it was for the betterment of the work.

The interests of our Middle School were discussed and a call was sent to the principal of the school, urging him to get back as soon as possible, to take care of conditions in the school that were very much in need of the principal's advices and decisions.

A desire was felt that some committee be sent out by the yearly meeting, to have a conference with the stations and with departments in the stations with a view to coördinating the work. There was a hope expressed that the executive committee might make trips to the stations and carry out this kind of helpfulness.

So far as the writer could see there was a real desire in every action that what was being done would work out for progress. To move forward seemed to be the unexpressed call from all.

The meetings were presided over by Chinese leaders, and the Chinese secretary positions were held by Chinese. The English secretary work was done by Sister Minneva Neher.

The writer was exceedingly well pleased to see the work taking on new life in the hands of the Chinese leaders. This is healthy and has the right ring. God bless the Chinese leaders.

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We should give God the same place in our hearts that he holds in the universe.

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Religion is the life of God in the soul of man.

Sharing Christ With India

B. Y. P. D. Missionary Project, 1928

H. SPENSER MINNICH

THE Church of the Brethren is engaged in a great missionary enterprise in India. The work is classified under such heads as evangelistic, educational, and medical. The General Mission Board has given the missionaries authority to draw on the home church to the sum of $26,000 in 1928 for evangelism.

This includes preaching at regular mission stations, evangelistic meetings, tent tours by missionaries and native workers into country districts and new villages, distribution of the Scriptures in whole or part, talks about Christ at the hospital dispensaries, special Bible teaching of women and distribution of evangelistic literature.

The B. Y. P. D. Task

A new day has come for young people. They are heard in the councils of the church. Likewise they are given the responsibilities of the church. The General Mission Board assigns this far-reaching work to the young people. The money contributed will give credit to the local congregation on the Conference budget.

How the Plan May Be Worked in a B. Y. P. D.

Where the young people meet as a department, offerings may be brought weekly or monthly as the group decides. Many departments will set a goal for the year and work toward it. An Every-Member Canvass to secure each person's pledge for the year would bring the need definitely to every young person.

Through Sunday-school Classes

Where the young people do not meet in a department, but have one class or more, the foregoing plans may be made just as effective.

In the Weekly Church Offering

In churches receiving an offering in the

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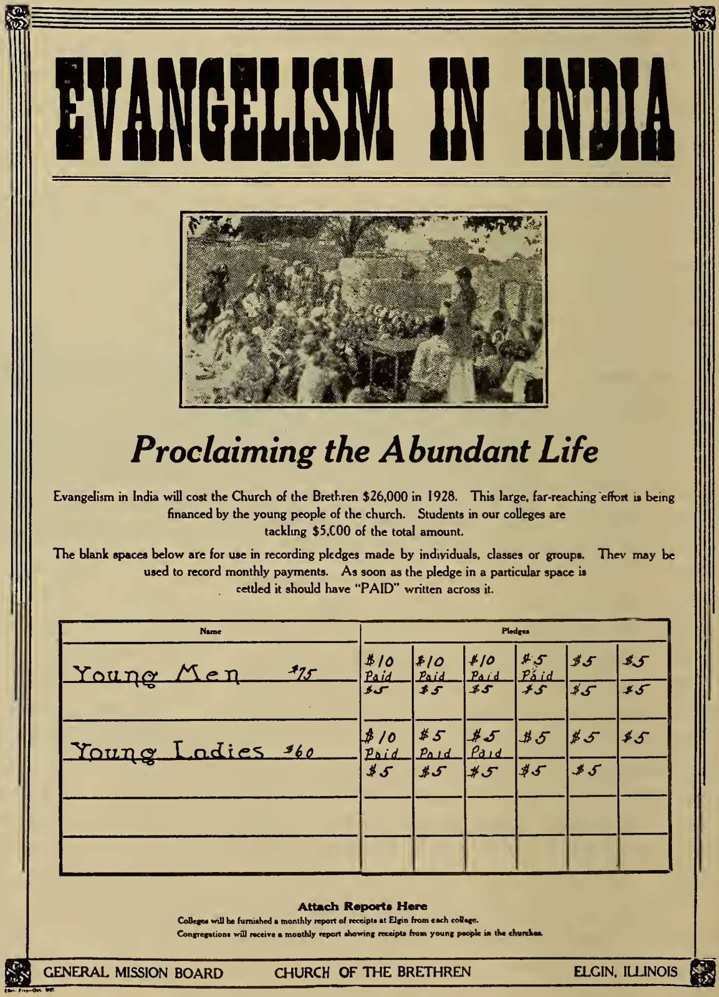

EVANGELISM IN INDIA

Proclaiming the Abundant Life

Evangelism in India will cost the Church of the Brethren $26,000 in 1928. This large, far-reaching effort is being financed by the young people of the church. Students in our colleges are tackling $5,000 of the total amount.

The blank spaces below are for use in recording pledges made by individuals, classes or groups. They may be used to record monthly payments. As soon as the pledge in a particular space is settled it should have "PAID" written across it.

Name	Pledges					
Young Men $75	$10 Paid $5	$10 Paid $5	$10 Paid $5	$5 Paid $5	$5 $5	$5 $5
Young Ladies $60	$10 Paid $5	$5 Paid $5	$5 Paid $5	$5 $5	$5 $5	$5

Attach Reports Here

Colleges will be furnished a monthly report of receipts at Elgin from each college.

Congregations will receive a monthly report showing receipts from young people in the churches.

GENERAL MISSION BOARD CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN ELGIN, ILLINOIS

Notes from Our Fields

CHINA

General Notes for December, 1927

Sent by Lulu U. Coffman

The Nationalist army is slowly coming North. Feng Yu Hsing's power seems to be increasing. Chang Tso Lin's position is becoming more precarious and he is withdrawing his army from North Shansi and they are talking peace.

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Mr. Liu Fu Jung, one of our most promising young Christians, was stricken with tuberculosis in October while attending Yen Ching College, here in Peking. He was taken to the Peking Union Medical College Hospital and stayed there until Christmas; then was a little better and went back to Yen Ching. He hopes to arrange to go to a sanatorium in the Western Hills, not far from Peking, for a couple of months, and then back to his home in Liao Chou. He has no money, and gets a bit discouraged sometimes, but the Chinese church needs him, for capable leaders are so few. Won't you pray with us for his recovery?

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Dr. Coffman writes from Pingting (Dec. 16): "I have so far found the students to be in good health and with the exception of a little undernourishment in a few cases (mostly those that live at home), they seem to be growing well and compare favorably with school-children in America. At the hospital there are about 35 in-patients and an equal number of out-patients daily. Have three babies in the nursery. Have the X-ray running again. Used it on a gunshot fracture of leg and for the extraction of a bullet a couple of days ago. Most of the military cases go to T'aiyuan, only the more serious ones being brought here, which is as it should be, I think. We are putting in the steam engine for the light plant, as the old gas engine is about on its last legs, so to speak. The nurses are writing their examinations just now, but will finish this week. After that regular school work begins again. Dr. Hsu has surgery, medicine, materia medica, and bacteriology; I shall try to teach eye and X-ray, and Miss Flory will give practical nursing, dietetics, etc."

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Ping Ting Men's Evangelistic

F. H. Crumpacker

One of our out-station headquarters has been occupied by soldiers for more than a month. The evangelist who made that his headquarters has had to be out in other places all the time. He has also been hindered in his work, for the locality has been in confusion most of the time. Fear of fighting near there has kept the people so uneasy that they would hardly stop to listen to the Gospel message. Also the village officials have been pressed by the soldier officials to furnish grain for the animals, food for the soldiers, and money to buy ammunition; and, in short, the place was so busy with other things that not much real evangelistic work could be done.

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At one of the other places the evangelist has been very busy, for in addition to his pastoring the members he has undertaken the teaching of a school for poor children a part of each day except Saturday and Sunday. In the meantime his good wife became the mother of a boy. This is their first, and so the parents have much to rejoice over, for even though they are Christian leaders they have not outgrown the idea that it is nicer to have a boy born to them than a girl.

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At another of our out-stations the evangelist and his wife have been enabled to make contacts with several of the better homes in the city. The writer was present at one of their Sunday morning services, when two of the city, or rather district, officers were present with their wives and several other prominent women of the city, in addition to the few members living at the place. These contacts are well worth having for the prestige they give to the church. That county has suffered some persecution in local places, and since this intercourse with the officials and better classes has been established, the persecution to the Christians has practically ceased.

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The most exciting event at one of the other out-stations in the past month was the wedding of the eldest son of the evangelist. Here there was a good bit more show than necessary, and some of the old marriage customs were carried over, making the wedding stand, not so much as an example to the outsiders, as it raised a question mark in the minds of some of the folks who had known something of the teachings of the church on these things. It shows that words without a follow-up of consistent living does not count. We will have to go on teaching and see if it is possible to get away from these old customs. I feel personally that it will take the second generation before this transformation can be fully made.

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In our other out-station there has been a lively interest. Just at this writing they are having a fall Bible class for their members, and have some outside help, among whom is Miss Schaeffer, Here they plan to lead up to a big rally at Christmas. This place gives us glad hearts, and we hope the other places will take heart and do likewise. It is as it should be, so we think.

At Ping Ting the pastor and the writer have been busy with a Bible class for four weeks and now are teaching several inquirers preparatory to baptismal services. In a week from now will take place the baptisms, and that will be followed by our communion, and then we will have our Christmas meetings, which are always entered into very heartily by the students.

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The writer has been invited by the city Middle School principal to teach some English. If I can get time for this it will again establish a fine contact between the government school and the mission. This good feeling has nearly always been in evidence at our station, for which we are wonderfully thankful.

Dec. 16, 1927.

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Shou Yang Notes for November and December

Unsettled conditions, due to the Shansi-Chihli war, and the opposition caused by the propaganda of the "Kuo Min Tang" (People's Party) have made work in the country districts during the last two months difficult, if not almost impossible. A proposed itinerary into the Pei Ho district (60 li from Shou Yang) by the women evangelists, at the close of the harvest season, was hindered by the opposition in that region, which the local evangelist there felt would make it unwise for them to venture into the field at that time. Reports from there since seem to indicate that the opposition has subsided, so it may be possible to go into that field again before so long. Just at the time plans were all made for opening a class in phonetic script for the women in Tsung Ai, the war took on more serious aspects, which made the people very uneasy everywhere, making it necessary to give up plans for the class. Effort was made to do a bit of work in another one of our out-stations, Chin Ch'uan, but the unsettled state of affairs made it impossible to do more there than to encourage and comfort the hearts of the Christians.

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However, in the early part of November, in response to an urgent invitation from a Christian who lived in a village some thirty li from Shou Yang, Sister Neher with Sister Kung made a visit into this section, where our women workers had never gone. We stayed in the home of the Christian and found a most hearty welcome in the homes of his friends and fellow-villagers. The women seemed to be especially open to the gospel message, and we felt our invitation to that village was indeed a call from God. This section, shut off a bit from the main lines of travel, seemed to be practically untouched by the world outside. We felt much of the openness was due to contacts with many of these women during fairs at Shou Yang. They remembered having seen us, and were glad to have a chance to welcome us into their homes.

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The local work here in the city has not been much interfered with by the prevailing conditions. Individual teaching of women to read the Chinese character is the method we are using to concentrate upon those who are most interested. Since the last writing two more women have started reading. One is the wife of a painter. Their two children are in the kindergarten and are having a very wholesome influence on the parents. The mother said that the children every night kneel down on their brick bed and pray to Jesus. "A little child shall lead them" is as true in China as elsewhere.

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Agitation by the Kuo Min Tang here in the city has died down, and we hear very little. It is worthy of mention that the leader of the party, a former teacher in our boys' school, during the last month seems to have changed his attitude towards the church, for he is often seen on the mission compound in conversation with the evangelists or other workers. We thank God for this change, and pray that he may be led to see the truth of the religion which he had been opposing.

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November 19 and 20 the regular fall council meeting, baptism and love-feast services were held. During the month preceding these meetings the men evangelists spent most of the time itinerating in the country districts, endeavoring to get in touch with all the Christians. The attendance at these meetings far exceeded our expectations, for with conditions so unsettled the Christians all felt a bit reluctant about leaving their homes. As it was there were close to seventy who came in from the country to attend the meetings. Bro. Crumpacker, at the invitation of the Christians here, came over from Ping Ting and assisted in the services. His splendid inspirational addresses were greatly appreciated. At the baptismal services three girls, two women, and eleven men and boys entered into a covenant relationship with their Savior. The two women are wives of Christian workers here, and are among those who are learning to read the Chinese character. Their becoming Christian makes us especially happy, as it means there are two more homes in which the husband and wife are united in Christ. One of the men who were baptized is blind, and one of his favorite songs is "He Leadeth Me." Some eighty brethren and sisters surrounded the Lord's table and partook of the love feast and communion of our Lord. The Lord was present to bless in all of the services, and all who came departed blessed, we feel sure.

Christmas was a happy time in Shou Yang in spite of wars without and financial stringency within. On Christmas eve the men's and women's evangelistic groups gave a program. Scenes were presented from "Pilgrim's Progress" is a very realistic way and a real evangelistic message was given to the audience as they followed Christian through all his temptations and pitfalls. The community people here turn out in great numbers for all the Christmas programs. On the afternoon of the 24th the women and children from the community gathered in the ladies' house for their Christmas meetings. In one room some thirty women assembled and listened to Sister Hsing, our Chinese doctor's wife, as she told them the meaning of Christmas and what the coming of Christ meant to the women of China. At the same time in another room were some forty-five children, happy in their celebration with the head evangelist's wife, Mrs. Ho, leading them. If the American boys and girls who have made little gifts for the Chinese children could see the happiness and joy that these gifts bring to the childish hearts they would feel well repaid for all they have done. Little red bags of sweets and nuts were given to each little child, too, making his or her cup of happiness full. To each of the mothers a little gift of a picture (also made by American children) was given. The Chinese love pretty things and are always glad for pretty pictures. Our supply of Christmas gifts is almost exhausted, as nothing came this year from America. We trust ere another Christmas arrives conditions will be such that more gifts can come from America to these dear little Chinese boys and girls.

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The boys' and girls' schools gave their program on Christmas evening, and a very nice and well-prepared program it was, too. It was interesting to see the amount of time and energy that the Chinese have put into the preparations to make Christmas a happy time. This year, with everything mostly in their hands, it seems they took a keener interest than ever before. Some of their ways of celebrating seem quite strange to us, but to them quite appropriate of expressing their joy. For instance, on Christmas eve most all in the compound and the older pupils from the schools assembled on the mission compound, which was gaily illuminated with paper lanterns made by themselves for the occasion. They kept the air resonant with popping firecrackers and drum beating and fife playing. As Christmas day dawned they ushered it in singing their pretty Christmas carols. It was close to two o'clock in the morning after Christmas day had been properly ushered in, that they or any one else attempted to sleep. Christmas morning, however, found them all gathered for a Christmas worship program in the chapel of the boys' school.

Christmas day was saddened a bit, as we were called to pay the last rites to one of the women whom we have been teaching for about a year. Her husband seems to be really interested in the Gospel, and was eager for us to come and have a bit of worship ere she was carried to her last resting place. As he talked to us about her going he said: "Her dying was different from that of other folks. She went easily with a smile on her face." Then he went on to say, "The road she was going I want to go, too!" Pray for him!

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Christmas day seems to always be a challenge to the anti-Christian movement. Here in Shou Yang they did nothing except put posters all over the mission compound walls with such statements as these: "Down with imperialism!" "Down with the running dogs of the foreigners!" "Out with the foreigners!" "Down with their education." There was no procession or shouting, as there has been sometimes. Leaflets were scattered about, denouncing the mission, missionaries and Christians. The movement stated they were now too busy with the war campaign to pay much attention to us. It is reported that they have threatened to drive out the mission and take over the property for themselves. We are not alarmed at their threats, for so far they have done nothing but talk. What they might do in the future no one knows. But we trust in God, who is mightier than all.

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AFRICA

H. Stover Kulp

The month of October is the last in the rainy season. The rains this year have been exceptionally good. The crops will be the best that have been harvested for years in this section of Nigeria. This is a special matter for rejoicing, because last season there was a great drought and very small crops.

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Kulp's and Mallott were in Garkida in October for the regular Field Committee meeting and in order to complete some language work that had been under preparation for some time.

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The Field Committee meeting in October was quite a busy one, owing to the fact that five of our number were soon to leave on furlough and four workers were expected to arrive on the field in a short time.

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On Oct. 24 we bid farewell to the Beahms, the Heckmans and Bro. Mallott. Our wishes for a helpful and restful furlough go with them.

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The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

Missionary News

Cost of Foreign Missions

Statement of Expenditures by the Foreign Mission Boards of the United States and Canada for the Fiscal Year 1926 to 1927

China	$ 9,629,772.00
Japan, Korea	5,458,037.00
India, Ceylon	5,859,969.00
Africa (Negro)	1,963,430.00
Near East—North Africa	1,099,661.00
Latin America (incl. West Indies, Central America)	3,311,110.00
Oceania (incl. East Indies)	186,333.00
Other Areas	1,656,938.00
Unclassified	239,452.00
Total	$29,404,702.00

These figures represent the latest returns. Sixty-eight out of eighty-three Foreign Mission Boards represented in the Foreign Missions Conference of North America have reported. The grand total and totals by areas are therefore incomplete. Of those societies whose returns have not been received to date, the largest are: China Inland Mission, Seventh Day Adventists, Presbyterian Church of Canada, and Christian Missions in Many Lands.

More than forty foreign missionary societies in North America report expenditures in China; approximately 30 each in India, Japan, Africa and Latin America; less than a score in the Near East and North Africa combined and only five or six in Oceania.

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Says Criticism of Missions Is Due to Ignorance

(Extract from Address at Foreign Missions Conference, Atlantic City)

Criticism of foreign missions is based largely upon the ignorance of those who give voice to such criticism, according to William Boyd, advertising manager of the Curtis publications, Philadelphia. Mr. Boyd recently spent eight months visiting the mission stations of Europe and of India in the interests of the Methodist Episcopal Board of Foreign Missoins.

"Many globe trotters try to find the worse phases of the social life of the countries they visit," says Mr. Boyd, "and do not seek or see the benefits that missionaries have contributed to those lands. Then, after spending their days playing bridge and their nights in dancing, they return to say they saw nothing of missionary results.

"I believe that every dollar invested in foreign missions has produced greater returns than any dollar invested in any human enterprise. There is no incompetency in the carrying on of mission work or in the management of its funds; and there is not so much wasteful competition in the work as is to be found everywhere in business."

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The Waynesboro Missionary Association

The missionary association of the Waynesboro congregation, Southern Pennsylvania, was again enabled a year ago to make an offer to double any amount raised for foreign mission work by any Sunday-school class or other organization in the church. The association agreed to do this in addition to paying the regular amount for the support of a missionary.

A committee was appointed to have this matter in hand for the year. This committee was composed of Brethren E. R. Stitely, A. H. Ressler, and M. B. Horst.

The various organizations accepted the challenge with considerable interest. The amount raised in this way during the year was $725, which when doubled results in $1,450 for the mission work of the church. The items are given in the financial report.

One Sunday-school class, because of another plan it has, did not enter into the arrangement. That class alone was able to send in $1,000 for the Africa mission.

We are reporting this with the hope that it may be suggestive to others. This fellowship in the furtherance of the Gospel is a great help to any organization or to any individual. E. R. Stitely.

Waynesboro, Pa.

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A Letter From Nurse Chao

My Dear Friends:

I am a member of the Church of the Brethren in China. Nurse Elizabeth Baker is my teacher. My mother is also a member of the church. At present I am in the hospital at Ping Ting, working for God. I would like for you in America to constantly ask God to help me to be a good Christian.

China at present is very much disturbed. The evangelists' work is very difficult. Therefore I hope you will pray for China. I am glad to write you a letter, and if any of you would write to me I would send you an answer to America. But my English is not good and I do not know if you could read it or not. Nurse Baker's Chinese language is good and I am asking her to translate it for you.

Aug. 21, 1927. Chao Ching Heng.

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Indian Christians Assume Responsibility

In a recent letter from Bro. L. A. Blickenstaff, in our India mission, he tells of turning responsibilities for boarding schools over to the Indian Christians. This is a splendid sign of progress. We quote from his letter:

"Our work is going along very well. During this month I have had a most pleasant work of turning over the Bulsar Boys' Boarding School and the Wankal Boys' Boarding School to school committees consisting entirely of our Indian brethren. They assumed the responsibility in the finest spirit, and it is a joy to see them take over the work. I have confidence that the work will go forward in their hands much better than I was able to do for it, as I have had so many interests that these boarding schools have had to be side issues. Placing boarding schools in the hands of Indians is an entirely new experience for us, and we are most hopeful that the experiment will prove entirely successful. I purposely have turned them over at this time in order that I may assist them in any possible way during the three months that I will still be in India."

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HELPING OTHERS

If any little word of mine
May make a life the brighter,
If any little song of mine
May make a heart the lighter—

God help me speak the little word,
And take my bit of singing
And drop it in some lonely vale
To set the echoes ringing.

If any little love of mine
May make a life the sweeter,
If any little care of mine
May make a friend's the fleeter,

If any lift of mine may ease
The burden of another—
God give me love, and care, and strength
To help my toiling brother.

The Missionary Review of the World.

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THE TASK

Frank F. Morris

Dear friends, the Master bids us work today,
And bear the joyful Message far away;
And seek to use the means at our command,
That Christ may reign in hearts in foreign land.

The Macedonian call is loud and long;
It also represents a mighty throng,
Who bow to idol gods of wood and stone,
Yet yearning for the Christ we're pleased to own.

Oh, can we not conceive how dark the blot,
Where superstition reigns, and Christ is not?
Where hate and fear and ignorance hold sway,
And none to point them to the living way?

Are we enthused, imbued with holy zeal?
And pray that Christ, to us, his will reveal?
That go or stay, whate'er it be, we'll do,
And prove our Blessed Master, we'll be true?

"Go, teach all nations," is our Christ's command;
We'll hasten to obey his just demand,
We'll sacrifice, and labor, love and wait,
And reap the fruits of joy at heaven's gate.

Thus, as we bring our sheaves from o'er the seas,
The task, complete; in his dear Name to these,
"Well done," the plaudit; "enter thou thy rest,
And be with Christ and God forever blest."

The Women's Department

Conducted by Nora M. Rhodes
DALLAS CENTER, IOWA

From Our Aid Societies

NORTHERN VIRGINIA INSTITUTE

THE Aid Societies of the Northern District of Virginia met in their annual District Institute, Sept. 3, 1927, at the Mt. Zion church, in Page County. The meeting was well attended. There were nine Aid Societies represented out of the fifteen in the District.

The general theme of the meeting was service. Sister D. H. Zigler was again chosen president of the District. As a District we decided to give some help at Smiths Creek, a mission point. We also decided to help some on a delegate's expense to Annual Conference next year. It was recommended that the Aid Societies of the District start a fund to be used in furnishing a home for returned missionaries on furlough.

Many of the Aid Societies meet a day each year at the Orphans and Old Folks' Home at Timberville and sew for the orphans and old folks. These days are always enjoyed by all.

Anna Roller, Secretary.

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NAMPA, IDAHO

Our Aid Society at Nampa meets once a week for quilting and other sewing, although we are usually busy with quilting. We have a kitchen at the Auction Sale yards where we serve dinners, sandwiches, pie and coffee every Saturday. For this we have three captains, with an equal number of members under each captain, who help and donate material for the kitchen. One captain has the kitchen for January, one for February, one for March, and so on throughout the year.

We received from the kitchen, $696; quilting, $30.66; prayer coverings, $7.85; interest on notes, $195.88; total during the year, $931.16. We use our money where we think the need is greatest. We pay $500 a year on our pastor's salary. Bro. Augustine Becker is our present pastor.

Mrs. L. D. Goodman.

Note—According to the last statistical report the Nampa, Idaho, Society ranked fourth in local Aids, with highest receipts Trotwood, Ohio, ranked seventh.

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TROTWOOD, OHIO

What is emotion? Webster defines it as excited feeling. What is love? Somewhere I read that "love is emotion." God is love. In fact, our lives are grounded in emotions. We realize we are just as old as we feel. To continue to think youthful thoughts and do youthful things keeps us young. Keep an interest in everyday affairs; specialize on the virtue of cheerful service for others. Is Aid work just for a very few or for all? Is it just for the old? Is it just for the middle-aged? Is it just for the young or for all? It is here we attribute our interest and coöperation at Trotwood. We try to find the work each one loves to do—grandmother, mother, and daughter. Our blessings have been many at Trotwood, and we are very grateful for them. The faithfulness and untiring efforts of our president, Sister Omy Erbaugh, has had a great influence on the growth of our society. Interest never lags. An all-day meeting each week keeps things moving and has been quite successful. Our average attendance is twenty-two. The old-fashioned schoolday lunch, with coffee at noon, is enjoyed in full.

About once a month we have a special day, inviting a missionary or others for the day, with dinner in the basement and an address in the afternoon. Our aim for the day is not to get the largest amount of work done, but to get in closer touch with our neighbors and friends.

Our income is realized from making quilts, quilting for others, making bonnets, aprons, table covers, table cloths, towels, handkerchiefs and serving dinners at public sales. Each one does the work she likes best, those quilting who prefer to quilt; others doing the work on the sewing machine. Several kinds of embroidery work are in progress by those who enjoy doing that, the old and young often working on the same piece.

In the midst of our work comes the devotional service, which is the very heart of the meeting. To pause for a Scripture reading, quotations, a motherly talk, a song and a prayer is a source of inspiration and brings help and comfort to each one. Just working together, talking over our problems and sharing our joys—this is the path to success: this is the service of love.

Mrs. Effie Eby, Secretary.

An Ideal Aid Society

MRS. U. C. LEAB

AN ideal Aid Society is one that is well organized with Christian officers. A thoroughgoing Christian is a person with a stronger reason, kinder heart, firmer will and richer imagination than his fellow; one who has attained to his height in Christ.

Its members work together, for no organization is ideal without unity. They are ready to serve at all times, for service is the foundation of success. As we serve so do we succeed. The members encourage people. Just a touch of interest, sympathy, and love will give hope, cheer, and strength. They scatter sunshine by their smile and brighten the corner where they are. They study to be a winner of hearts to God. They do not forget that their prayer life is most vital. By prayer they become alert to the opportunities for service, and by prayer they become fit for service. They go where the Master would go if he were here. Sickness, trouble, poverty, and distress appeal to them as opportunities for service. They take an interest in the youth. Boys and girls need the strong, fine friendships of men and women outside the home. They give the aged love and encouragement.

They study how to support leaders in their plans. A few individuals can rally people to a pastor's activities so as to double his usefulness while he is with them, and give him such courage that his whole future will be affected.

They attend all meetings of their society and conduct their devotions without being interrupted by conversation of a social nature. Its meetings are not a place of gossip. A gossip can break up our society and our church.

If all these things are carried out we will have an ideal Aid Society.

Jonesboro, Tenn.

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TO WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

Nora M. Rhodes

A number of our missionary societies will soon be finishing the text, "A Straight Way Toward Tomorrow." If another text is desired, either as a review for one lesson or a number of lessons, "The Story of Missions," by White, is suggested. (Price, 60c, paper; cloth, $1.)

A very interesting activity in connection with this book would be the developing of a large map of the story of missions, tracing the outreaching of Christianity from its birthplace in Palestine into almost every part of the world. The most interesting work will be done with a home-made map. Paste sheets of wrapping paper or other large sheets together to obtain the desired size. For each chapter indicate on the map the progress of the story. For the first chapter Paul's missionary journeys may be traced, and the chief cities reached by Christianity during its first three centuries. Names of great missionaries may be entered where they worked.

With the second chapter would be indicated the work of such missionaries as Ulfilas, Patrick, and others. Such centers of influence as Iona should be marked. Dates can tell when the several countries received Christianity.

Map and devotional suggestions for chapters 4-6, inclusive, will be given in the April and May numbers.

Devotions for review of chapters 1-2, "Story of Missions," Chapter 1, 2 Tim. 2: 3; 2 Cor. 11: 24-33, or any one of numerous passages in the book of Acts, telling of the work of the apostolic missionaries. Heb. 11: 30; 12: 2 would also be appropriate.

Chapter 2, Psa. 20. Verse 7 is said to have been chanted by Patrick as he was led by the Druids before the king of Ireland for having lighted an altar fire when no fire was supposed to burn in all Ireland.

Psa. 34: 1-10, which Columba was copying when he laid down his life's work.

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BIRTHDAYS OF OUR WOMEN MISSIONARIES

April

"Now I beseech you . . . that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me."

5—Dr. Barbara Nickey, India.
11—Mrs. Lulu Coffman, China.

Pray for Our Missionaries

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AFRICA NOTES

(Continued from Page 77)

A number of Bura boys came from villages in Bornu to attend the school at Garkida. The government has forbidden us to go into that district. But even though we cannot go to them, they can come to us.

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The harvesting of peanuts, beans, okra, and other lesser crops is done largely by the women and girls. This has meant a decreased attendance at the girls' school for the time being.

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On the evenings in November when the moon was full and bright, services were held in the village of Garkida. The people enjoy these moonlight services and attended in large numbers.

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On Nov. 12, Frances Kathleen came to begin her missionary preparation and to make things generally more interesting for Dr. and Mrs. Gibbel. We extend to her a glad welcome, and we think she is glad to be with us, too.

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Dr. Burke's and Dr. Robertson's arrived at Garkida the latter part of November. Dr. Burke proceeded to Dille, where they are now stationed. The Robertsons are at Garkida for language work. Dr. Burke spent a few days at Garkida before starting for Dille. During that time he performed a major operation.

Since Bro. Mallott has gone on furlough, the services at Gardemna have been conducted by the native Christians from Garkida.

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While the Kulps were away from Dille a case of smallpox developed. The man died. There has been no further development. There was also a case of the same dread disease at Garkida. But thanks to the vaccinations performed by the doctor, and to the native system of vaccination in vogue among the Buras, there has been no spread of the disease. The Margis do not practice vaccination.

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"Difficulties increase activity." — Bura Proverb.

Recent Missionary Materials

ILLUSTRATED LECTURE

The Missionary Character of Christianity. About sixty slides, including a magnificent worship hymn. This lecture shows the essentially missionary character of the missionary religion. It is richly illustrated by biblical characters and of missionary personalities in our church. Lecture accompanies the set. Rental, $2, and return transportation. No rental charged to those who receive a missionary offering at the time of the showing. Order well in advance.

Junior Mission Study

The Junior League Brings Health to India, 25c. A series of four lessons on India for children. Prepared by Minna Heckman and others. Useful in laying the foundation for the children's 1928 missionary project, the medical work in India.

A Missionary Play

Jeva Helps His People, 30c. Twelve or more characters, 7 male and 5 female. About 1 hour and 15 minutes. Simple stage setting. Costumes Indian, but can easily be made. Will help lay the foundation for the young people's missionary project for 1928.

GENERAL MISSION BOARD
Elgin, Ill.

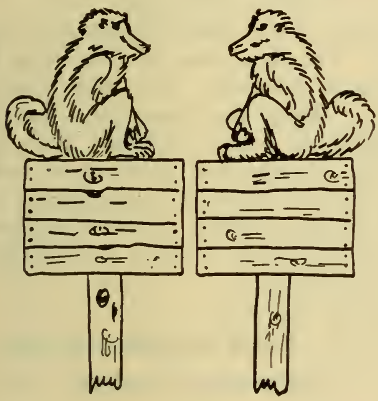
THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY

Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

A MISSIONARY WRITES TO HIS SON

My dear Son:

Today I have a real story to write you. I know you remember Sarah and Jerry, Uncle Clarence's baboons. Well, ever since you left Garkida, Sarah and Jerry have been growing and growing and getting SO BIG. For a long time Uncle Clarence kept them chained to big minna poles with a box nailed on top. They looked like this.



But as they got bigger nobody liked Sarah and Jerry. They were too rough for playmates. A good playmate is not rough and does not fight. And he does not make too much noise. And because Sarah and Jerry just fought and made so much noise and could not play with people nicely, nobody liked them.

The boys got tired of them. Aunt Lucile got tired of them, and I suspect Uncle Clarence, too, got tired of them. He built a big cage and put them in it. But he was not satisfied with that. All they did was eat and bother folks.

A few days ago Uncle Clarence and Aunt Lucile and Uncle William and Aunt Esther got into the motor car and went to Jos. And what did Uncle Clarence do? He took Sarah and Jerry in the automobile. Jerry was so frightened. He was only a baboon. What did he know about automobiles? He fought and fought and bit and tried to get loose. So they had to put him in a box.

Uncle Clarence took those baboons to the Dzur River and there he turned them loose to go back and live with the wild baboons. And he let them go. For they were his pets and he could never bear to kill them. One is good to pets always. So Jerry and Sarah are in the bush now. I can imagine them sitting on a wild fig tree. Sarah is sitting on a branch eating a fig and Jerry is hanging on by his tail and swinging. Do you think they would know Uncle Clarence if they saw him again? I think so.

This was a real story, wasn't it? And it really happened.

Your Father.

BOOST FOR MISSIONS

During seven months of 1927 the Intermediate Sunday-school class of the Pleasant Valley church of Southern Ohio, taught by Mrs. Iva Oswalt, raised by Sunday collections $10 for missions. We hope this same class will join in the Brown Brothers campaign for 1928 and help to bring health to India.

BEAVER CREEK JUNIOR LEAGUERS REPORT FOR DUTY

The first Junior Church League to register for the 1928 Brown Brothers missionary project is composed of the fine-spirited youngsters of the Beaver Creek church, Southern Ohio. Their names are Martha Coy, Bertha Smart, Eva Smart, Eldon Smart, Robert Smart, Elizabeth Lewis, Thelma Stewart, Clayton Blake, Nadine Stewart, Ossie E. Rossell. Their leader is Mrs. Mabel Couser. See plans on next page for "Brown Brothers" workers.

Our Brown Brothers

The 1928 Junior Church League Missionary Project

In India, where the Church of the Brethren has missionaries, there are many sick people who do not have doctors. The mission has several doctors and nurses. These medical workers give help to many people. They are training Indian girls to help heal sick people. Indian men have been trained as doctors. Two splendid hospitals have been built. One is at Bulsar and the other at Dahanu. The latter one was built at a cost of about $12,000. This money was supplied in 1925 by the children in the Church of the Brethren.

The Junior Task

The annual cost of the missionary medical work is about $7,000. It costs more than this, but the Indian people pay as much as they can, and so only about $7,000 needs to be sent from America. The Junior Church League, including all children in the Sunday-schools of the Church of the Brethren, are assigned the task of furnishing this money. It should be provided before the year 1928 is over.

The Plan

It is suggested that every boy and girl figure out some good method of earning money. This work may continue up to Christmas, 1928. All money should be sent in by that date.

In past years money was earned in all sorts of ways. Garden truck was raised, including potatoes, sweet corn, pop corn, cabbage, mangoes, tomatoes, beans, lettuce, sweet potatoes, and muskmelons. Chickens, ducks and geese were favorites. Some turkeys also were raised. Sweeping floors, carrying water to harvest hands, selling junk, making and selling embroidery, making and selling candy, selling Hershey bars, picking apples, and washing dishes were methods of earning money.

The Badge

The children of the Brotherhood have a badge like this one. The initials stand for Junior Church League. It means that the juniors league together to do good. Making the Jesus way of life known is one of the best things any one can do. A badge will be sent for every worker who is enrolled and reported to the General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill.

Missionary Programs

Be sure to give some programs to your church. Tell them what you are doing for the Brown Brothers. Tell why you are doing it. Watch the Junior Department of the Missionary Visitor and Our Boys and Girls for pictures and news about India. Write letters to either of these papers and tell what you are doing. Have your picture taken at your work. If it is a good one it will be published.

J. C. L. Fund Included in the Conference Budget

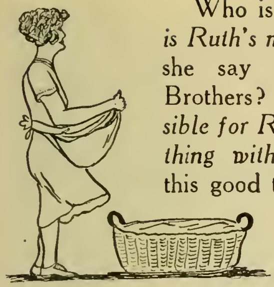
All money given by the children will help meet the budget adopted by our Annual Church Conference. It will apply on the missionary giving of your congregation.

The J. C. L. First Reader

Lesson I.

This is Ruth. What is Ruth doing? *Ruth is setting her Brown Brothers' hen.* Who are her Brown Brothers? *The people of India.*

Lesson II.



Who is this woman? *She is Ruth's mother.* What does she say about the Brown Brothers? *She makes it possible for Ruth to share a good thing with others.* What is this good thing? *It is all the good which comes from following Christ.*

Lesson III.

Here is Ruth again. *She takes good care of her flock of chickens.*

Lesson IV.

What is Ruth doing? *Putting her money in the offering box.* What will be done with it? *It will be sent to General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., for the J. C. L. Fund.*

Lesson V.

Who is the sick boy? *He is a Brown Brother in India.* Who is the woman? *She is the missionary nurse.*

Lesson VI.

Who are these folks? *The father was the sick boy in lesson V. He is now a Christian. He tries to live a godly life and helps others to do the same.*

SOME LATE SNOWBALLS

Well, if they had not come till July, they would still be welcome. These will put the finishing touches on the Black Brothers benevolence. It is also a beneficence. If you will look up those two words in the dictionary you will find one means wishing well, the other doing well. The first will not amount to much without the second. And our Juniors have been doers, all right! Up to the middle of January they sent in $3,187 for their black brothers. Below are noted the latest items contributed to the Africa Fund. See also announcement about "Our Brown Brothers" for 1928.

Shiny Dollars From Silver Creek

Enclosed find $23.87 from the children of the Silver Creek church (Primrose Division), Ohio, for our Black Brothers Fund. We are not many, but what we have are enthusiasts for mission work.

Waldron, Mich. Eva L. Whisler.

Bachelor Runners

I know you are wondering why you have not heard from the children of the Bachelor Run church in regard to their last year's mission work for Africa. It was not possible for different reasons to have their program until yesterday (Jan. 8). So I am sending it at once. Inclosed you will find bank draft for the amount.

Bringhurst, Ind. Mrs. Cora Myer.

Kindly Kansans

I am enclosing a draft for $76.25 from our Juniors. This is what twenty-six of our boys and girls made from the quarters that were given each one in the spring. This should be credited to Junior Department of of Northeastern Kansas, and is to be used for missions in Africa. Lottie B. Eavey.

Morrill, Kans.

Virden in the Van

You will find enclosed check for $8.25 for the hospital that is to be built in Africa, from the Junior and Intermediate department of the Virden Sunday-school. This was not started till after the middle of the year. The sum is small, but we trust it may do a great deal toward the hospital. The children were eager to give and on each Sunday, which was the third of every month, they had their little sum ready. We feel we would like to help out on some other mission work during this year.

Chatham, Ill. Mrs. Clinton Fahs.

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BY THE EVENING LAMP

Dear Aunt Adalyn: We have moved, but I still go to the same church. I am very glad that the Juniors have been so faithful as to save so much money for Our Black Brothers. Our revival meetings started Sunday evening, Nov. 27, with Bro.

Coppock as our evangelist. They lasted two weeks. Our family missed only four nights. Twelve were baptized. We started on our goal New Year's Day. The goal is attendance at Sunday-school and church every Sunday. Our Sunday-school class and Bro. Ketterman's class at Lima had a contest lasting twelve weeks, beginning Sept. 11. Bases of the contest were attendance, bringing our Bibles, and getting new members. Our class won by 50 points.

Bellefontaine, Ohio, R. 1. Bessie Crim.

Now you are in good shape to do some big work this year! Do you have a Junior League, with far India in the perspective? We are glad to see you back again.

Dear Aunt Adalyn: It has been a long time since I have written to you. I am twelve years old and in the second year of high school. I attend at Callaway-Hi, which is about five miles from home. I ride a little gray horse to school. She can travel very fast, so I can make the trip in about an hour. I sure do get lonesome going to and from school. Sometimes I do not see a person from the time I leave home until I reach the school. My teachers are: Mr. Justus (principal), Misses Mary Washburn, Otelia Rose, Annie Prillaman and Ruth Robertson. I take four subjects, and hardly know which I like best. I go to Sunday-school at Antioch. My teacher is Mr. Quinton Flora. My father is a minister. We live on a farm of one hundred and eighty-one acres. We have enough work to keep us busy. I cracked the December Nuts. I don't know whether they are right or not—I got the kernel out just the same. Frances Layman.

Callaway, Va.

It seems to me you must be a bright, brave student, to be in the second year of high school, and drive five miles over a lonely road to get your education! I am glad there are no bandits in your country. The Nut kernels came out all whole!

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I have just been reading the Junior letters and find that lots of boys and girls in India are also interested in the Junior page. My sister Frances is the oldest of our family, and I am next. She and I and my parents belong to the Brethren church. Then I have two brothers—Frank and Daniel—and a little sister named Ardine. I walk two miles to school and back every day. I go to a graded school. I am eleven years old and in the seventh grade. My brother Frank goes with me. My teacher is Mrs. Harve Plunkett. I love farm life fine. We are having unusually cold weather for old Virginia. My sister and I hope lots of the Juniors will write to us and we promise to answer all letters. Drusilla Layman.

Callaway, Va.

I should think it would take some grit for a two-mile jaunt on a disagreeable winter's day. But such things toughen one. Some day you will be thankful for what you had to go through with.

My dear Aunt Adalyn: My sister and myself have been in Woodstock School, which is in the Himalaya Mountains. We go there nine months out of every year. The school is eight hundred miles from home, so we always have to ride on a train to get there. We arrived home this year on Dec. 7. We were very glad to get home again. After we had been home three days we went out to camp. At present we are camping at a village named Sisodra, which is an Indian name. Our tent is on the high bank of a small lake. Here in India they call it a "tank," or a "turlov." In this lake there is a little island, which is about a hundred and fifty yards from our tent. Now and again if we look across we see a big black or brown alligator; "mugger" is the Indian name. Usually they are lying there lazily having a sun-bath. At sunrise the water looks so pretty, the sunshine causing it to look golden and red. But at sunset it is prettier; there is a glow on the water which makes it look pink, purple, and a greenish-blue, with green trees reflected in the water also. I like camping in the villages.

I am eleven years old, and I am going to be in the seventh grade. I am four feet, seven inches tall, and I weigh sixty-eight. My bigger sister's name is Madelene; she is fourteen, and is going to be in third year high next year. Elizabeth Long.

Anklesvar, Dist. Broach, India, Dec. 14, 1927.

We can hardly imagine the distance you have to go to school. Why, it is farther than from New York to Chicago! India certainly has lots of room to get lost in. And when **souls** are lost, it is a hundred times worse. No wonder a handful of missionaries have to work so hard to make an impression on the millions moving about in misery. Doubtless you are making ready to follow in your parents' footsteps.

NUTS TO CRACK

Decapitations

1. Remove the first letter of "to repair" and leave "the last."
2. Behead a suspended fog and leave noisy.
3. Behead a timepiece and leave a means of security.
4. Behead a transparent substance and leave a girl.
5. Behead to jerk and leave a sorceress.
6. Behead a piece of furniture and leave a part of the body.
7. Behead to rebound and leave a weight.
8. Behead a fish and leave to listen.

Missing Words

(Fill in the blanks with words that sound alike, but are spelled differently.)

1. The man who walked ...... is going to ...... a new suit.
2. The ...... of the village rang the clapper of the ....
3. He struck the ...... of a boy with all his ....
4. I saw a ...... girl carrying a ...... of water.
5. He ...... a frisky horse along the stony ....
6. The doctor thinks the cut on John's —— will soon ....
7. The carpenters are planning to ...... one building and ...... another.
8. During a ...... in the conversation, we heard the scratching of a cat's ....

(Answers next month)

FEBRUARY NUTS CRACKED

New Testament Women.—1. Mary. 2. Lois. 3. Dorcas. 4. Bernice. 5. Anna. 6. Martha. 7. Phebe. 8. Persis.

Hidden Word.—February.

LAST YEAR'S MISSIONARY PROJECTS

Up to Feb. 1, 1928, the children of the Brotherhood sent in $6,036.10 for the Black Brothers in Africa. This money represents earnings for the 1927 missionary project. The personal supports of missionaries are all assigned to certain congregations, and individuals. The cost of new buildings was assigned to the young people of the church. The children had all the other expense assigned to them. This includes schools, evangelistic, medical and industrial work, ocean transportation and literature.

In 1926 the children earned money for the Liao Chou station in China. In 1925 they built the Dahanu Hospital in India. For 1928 the project is Our Brown Brothers as explained on page 84.

The B. Y. P. D. (young people) of the church raised $2,197.55 up to Feb. 1, 1928.

Valiant Virdenites

These enthusiastic children get missionary enthusiasm from their teachers. This all helps the Virden church, So. Ill., to have a good missionary record.

Allison Prairie Junior Leaguers

These Black Brothers workers did not get started until June last year but we hope they get an earlier start for the Brown Brothers this year.

Note. These pictures were referred to on page 56 of the February Visitor.

EDUCATION SUITABLE FOR INDIAN LIFE

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without soliciting that the large majority of our boys are gentlemen in conduct, are hard working, have the interest of the pupils at heart, and are able to teach to some extent at least by the "New Method!" Yes, this means preparation every night for the work of the new day. To them, the old method means they are able easily to teach the grades without preparation. They have learned that the Project Method entails effort, but that earnest, thoughtful effort brings its due reward.

Outlook for the School

Times have changed since the days of famines. Famines meant full support to all taken into the homes. Missionaries in those days were "good," for did they not supply everything to the children? And many even yet look back longingly to those old soldiers of the cross.

But the old order had to change, for a new day has dawned, and what is happening is all to the good. Yet the breaking down of the "ma-bap" idea was not easy. Some children are willing to nurse even long after they get teeth and can bite their mothers! But we are winning and custom is being established. Children come and go at their own expense and somehow provide their own bedding, clothing, plate, loto, etc. Certain of our mission agents who are parents did not wish their children to do the work of a laborer, they said, and withdrew them from school. But they returned in due time. Boy teachers told us in the beginning that they had not come to do common labor; that they could do that at home if they wished, but had rather come to "learn." Learning is all mental; education is all of the mind, they argued. Being called to work they feigned or played on the job. They came back, saying it is unreasonable to ask "boys going to college" to work, a thing never heard of before. Our first class was the most difficult by far. Next year new boys followed the older ones to the field and shop, and today friends visiting will find every boy at work. They are working on their own chosen projects. Labor is dignified, therefore, and a great idea has prevailed.

There is, moreover, a fine sense of independence and self-confidence being developed in the boys. These are very valuable gifts, too, to a depressed class. Because we had refused to supply all their needs, as of old, they felt we no longer loved them. They agreed even to work, doing what we desired, on condition that they might have all their needs supplied. Strange how deeply-seated this parasitic growth had become. But we held firmly to our course. Now the boys seem to have learned it is more manly to labor and pay one's way as nearly as may be. They are doing things they never thought they would or could do, and confidence in their own ability to do and make good is being developed.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1927. As of January 31, 1928, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 29, 1928, stands as follows:
Cash received since March 1, 1927, ...$230,327.39
(The 1927 Budget of $408,300.00 is 56.4% raised, whereas it should be 91.6%)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on January 31, 1928:
Income since March 1, 1927, ...$257,996.67
Income same period last year, ... 287,905.11
Expense since March 1, 1927, ... 318,305.56
Expense same period last year, ... 282.512.87
Mission deficit January 31, 1928, ... 69,193.50
Mission deficit December 31, 1928, ... 72,644.35
Decrease in deficit for January, 1928, ... 3,450.85

Tract Distribution: During the month of December the Board sent out 2,601 doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 21: See January, 1928, Visitor under World-wide Missions, sum of $43.00 credit to S. S.: Antioch (Killbuck), So. Indiana, was sent erroneously and has since been refunded.

Correction No. 22: See October, 1927, January, 1928, and February, 1928, Visitors, under World-wide Missions, credits of $28.10, $24.21, $30.39, and $9.31, to Happy Corner S. S., Lower Stillwater, Southern Ohio, have since been designated for the support of Betty Jean Brooks, India.

Correction No. 23: See September, 1927, Visitor under Africa Mission, credit of $2.77 to Junior Dept., First Philadelphia, S. E. Pa., should instead have been credited to Africa Share Plan.

December Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during December:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

Arizona—$50.69

Cong.: Glendale, ...$ 50.69

California—$139.26

No. Dist., Cong.: Elk Creek, $7; Empire, $27.83; Waterford, $19.10; Mrs. Nannie A. Harn (Lindsay), $3; John H. Price (M. N.) (Modesto), $.50; Mrs. Nina E. Wirth (Modesto), $5; S. S.: Live Oak, $3.52, ... 65.95

So. Dist., Cong.: Hermosa Beach, $24.31; Mrs. J. M. Miller (Calvary), $5; W. M. Platt (M. N.) (Hemet), $.50; C. C. Kindy (M. N.) (Pasadena), $.50; S. S.: Hermosa Beach, $10; Indv.: B. F. Enyeart & Wife, $5; Beach, 10; Indv.: B. F. Enyeart & Wife, $5; M. Grace Miller, $2, ... 73.31

Canada—$241.94

Cong.: Second Irricana, $41.94; James Stout & Wife, (Second Irricana), $200, ... 241.94

China—$25.00

Indv.; Elizabeth Baker, ... 25.00

Colorado—$47.75

E. Dist., Cong.: Antioch, $12.40; S. G. Nickey (M. N.) Colorado Springs), $.50; Mrs. Walter Zunkel (Sterling), $1, ... 13.90

W. Dist., Cong.: Fruita, $23.85; Mrs. Hiram M. Long (Fruita), $5; Indv.: A. Cline, $5, .. 33.85

Florida—$31.51

Cong.: Seneca, $11.90; S. S.: Sebring, $6.61; Indv.: Eva Heagley Hurst, $3; B. F. Lightner & Wife of Bartow, $10, ... 31.51

Illinois—$812.03

No. Dist., Cong.: First Chicago, $299.28; Hastings Street Mission (Chicago), $55.91; Elgin, $205.23; Shannon, $31.50; A Sister (Bethel), $2; Ray Senger (Elgin), $.75; Mrs. Elizabeth Clark & Children (Mt. Morris), $4; S. S.: Bethel, $54.16; Milledgeville, $15.34; Rockford, $8.24; Young People's Class, Shannon, $3.50; Aid Soc.: First Chicago, $100, .. 779.91

So. Dist., Cong.: Girard, $19.17; Virden, $4.95; Dow A. Ridgely (Big Creek), $2; Mrs. J. H. Neal (Girard), $1; No. 101801 (Springfield), $5, ... 32.12

India—$50.00

Indv.: Anna M. Hutchison, ... 50.00

Indiana—$1,547.27

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Andrews, $21; Bethel Center, $5.05; Clear Creek, $25.12; Sugar Creek, $1; Walton, $8.95; West Manchester, $109; Phoebe Lee (Landesville), $5; Dessie Bollinger (Sugar Creek), $10; Iva Bollinger (Sugar Creek), $10; Sarah A. Ball (West Eel River), $1; S. S.: Beaver Creek, $15.84; Burnettsville, $4.34; Mexico, $37.27; West Manchester, $75, ... 328.57

No. Dist.. Cong.: Auburn, $9.87; Blue River, $5.24; Elkhart City, $319.40; Elkhart Valley, $31.89; Wakarusa, $43.34; Union Center, $90.14; Levi Bontrager & Wife (Elkhart City), $2.19; Lanah Hess (Goshen), $2; I. S. Burns (M. N.) (Yellow Creek), $.50; S. S.: Mt. Pleasant, $3; North Liberty, $27.77; Oak Grove, $23.53; Yellow Creek, $12.26, ... 571.13

So. Dist., Cong.: Anderson, $116.92; Beech Grove, $3; Bethany, $5; Buck Creek, $10; Fairview, $114; Four Mile, $35; Ladoga, $43; Maple Grove, $38; Middletown, $19.15; Mt. Pleasant, $111; New Hope, $2.50; Noblesville, $5; Prymont, $23.50; Richmond Mission, $2.50; Sampson Hill, $8; Upper Fall Creek, $12; White, $41; Celestia Miller, (Fairview), $1; Geneva Warfield (Fairview), $2; No. 101986 (Four Mile), $10; Jemima Evens (Howard), $5; H. E. Brubaker (Kokomo), $5; Ross E. Oyler & Wife (Kokomo), $8; Mattie Mathews (Middletown), $4; Chas. H. Ellabarger (Nettle Creek), $15; Barbara Lamb (Nettle Creek, $2; Marguerite Loveless (White), $5; Indv.: B. L. Layman, $1, ... 647.57

Iowa—$315.19

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Des Moines, $5; C. Z. Reitz (Maxwell) $2.25; S. S.: Bagley, $1; Waterloo, $93.50; David Brallier & Wife Pleasant View (Cedar), $4; Dallas Center, $119, 131.25

No. Dist., Cong.: Sheldon, $20; South Waterloo, $93.50; David Brallier & Wife (Curlew), $10; W. O. Tannreuther (M. N.) (South Waterloo), $1; S. S.: Union Ridge (Franklin County), $19.54; Greene, $14.01; Slifer, $10; "Helping Hand" Club, Waterloo City, (South Waterloo), $10, ... 178.05

So. Dist., S. S.: Franklin, ... 5.89

Kansas—$275.93

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Ottawa, $16.25; John Beckner & Wife (Appanoose), $10; Mary Weybright (Overbrook), $5; Shuss Family (Sabetha), $10; S. S.: Ottawa, $51.16; Topeka, $2.30; Y. P. D.: Richland Center, $2.29, ... 97.00

S. E. Dist., Cong.: Orpha Loshbaugh (Hollow), $5; Mrs. Calperna Renfro (Hollow), $1; Fannie Stevens (Osage), $2; Indv.: S. R. Perry, $1; Mrs. S. A. Smith, $5, ... 14.00

S. W. Dist., Cong.: Bloom, $6.77; Conway Springs, $60.97; First Wichita, $50; Mrs. V. E. Whitmer (First Wichita), $1; Oliver H. Austin & Wife (McPherson), $12.75; A Sister (McPherson), $5; A Sister (McPherson), $5; Mrs. Lizzie A. Lehman (Newton), $1; Kate Yost & Elizabeth Kener (Walnut Valley), $2; S. S.: Bloom, $10.44; Indv.: Jane and N. F. Rife, $5; Mrs. R. E. Sloan, $5, ... 164.93

Maryland—$662.75

E. Dist., Cong.: Bethany, $43.03; Green Hill, $5; Pipe Creek, $200; Union Bridge

(Pipe Creek), $37.41; Mollie C. Cool, (Bethany), $25; S. D. Glick (Bush Creek), $4; S. S.: Pleasant Hill (Bush Creek), $26; Westminster (Meadow Branch), $91.24; Blue Ridge College (Pipe Creek), $17.70; Indv.: A. M. Keesey & Wife, $5; Mrs. Ethel Thompson, $.55; Unknown donor of E. Maryland, $10, .. 464.93

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Broadfording, $64.17; Brownsville, $8.25; Pleasant View, $48; Barbara J. Steele, (Beaver Creek), $1.90; Ida M. Wine (Hagerstown), $1; John A. Myers (Licking Creek), $5; Harvey C. Witter (Welsh Run), $5; A Sister (Welsh Run), $2; S. S.: South Brownsville (Brownsville), $5.50; "Willing Workers," Longmeadow, $20; Aid Soc.: Broadfording, $10; Pleasant View, $15, ... 185.82

W. Dist., Cong.: Georges Creek, $4; Indv.: C. H. Merrill, $8, ... 12.00

Massachusetts—$1.00

Indv.: Catherine Spanogle, ... 1.00

Michigan—$101.31

Cong.: Crystal, $7; Grand Rapids, $12; Hart, $7.43; Sunfield, $6.84; Thornapple, $15; Zion, $6.27; Mrs. Alice Swanstra (Beaverton), $5; Mrs. A. Swihart (Hart), $.50; S. S.: Beaverton, $32.87; Grand Rapids, $6.40; Indv.: Mrs. Amanda Sielske, $2, ... 101.31

Minnesota—$72.15

Cong.: Guthrie, $7.88; Lewiston, $32.77; Monticello, $15.50; In memory of the son of Mrs. Chalmer Barley (Bethel), $5; Christ Wirt (Lewiston), $2; Malinda R. Booth (Minneapolis), $1; S. S.: Guthrie, $3; Monticello, $5, ... 72.15

Missouri—$131.64

No. Dist., Cong.: North St. Joseph, $6; Rockingham, $69; South St. Joseph, $11.14; Aid Soc.: Rockingham, $14, ... 100.14

Mid. Dist., Indv.: Nancy J. Harris, $10; Effie Long, $14.50, ... 24.50

So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Louisa Shaw (Mountain Grove), $2; Indv.: Rebecca Mays, $5, ... 7.00

Montana—$27.25

E. Dist., Cong.: Grand View, $15; S. S.: Florendale, $12.25, ... 27.25

Nebraska—$59.05

Cong.: Afton, $11.86; Kearney, $23.06; Octavia, $3.85; Fannie Daugherty (Kearney), $1; S. S.: Beatrice, $10; Lincoln, $2.28; Indv.: Sidney Cripe, $5; Emma Manners, $2, ... 59.05

North Dakota—$18.75

Cong.: Willow Grove, $13.75; Indv.: A. B. Long and wife, $5, ... 18.75

Ohio—$1,012.01

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Center, $42.02; Reading $11.56; W. Nimishillen, $8.90; Wooster, $100; Zion Hill, $22.58; Ernest B. Rowe (Woodworth), $5; Simeon Longanecker (Zion Hill), $5; S. S.: Ashland Dickey, $54.98; Beech Grove (Chippewa), $35.45; E. Chippewa, $23.88; Owl Creek, $6.28; Indv.: J. C. Snyder. $10, 325.65

N. W. Dist., Cong.: Black Swamp, $36.83; Fostoria, $21.80; Cora Ballinger, (County Line) $4; Mrs. Chester Adams (Fairview), $4; F. H. Kintner (Fairview), $5; P. J. Dukes, (Greenspring), $10; Mrs. Ray McDorman (Lima), $5; Geo. W. Oder (Logan), $4; Mrs. Sarah Hartman (Swan Creek), $4; S. S.: Home Builders" Class, Fostoria, $25; North Poplar Ridge, $12.13, ... 131.76

So. Dist., Cong.: Beaver Creek, $10.25; Beech Grove, $15.13; Cincinnati, $18.50; Constance, $5; Harris Creek, $66; Painter Creek, $15.84; Salem, $190.62; Trotwood, $46.62; Cedar Grove, Prices Creek, $8; John H. Rinehart & Wife (Salem), $5; Margaret B. Miller, (Union City), $5; Mrs. Geo. Sotzing (West Milton), $4; S. S.: Beech Grove, $14.94; Ft. McKinley, $9.96; Harris Creek, $4.80; Laramie, $27.44; Indv.: Lucinda Ann Hixson, $100; John J. Swartz, $7.50, ... 554.60

Oklahoma—$173.80

Cong.: Big Creek, $14.60; Washita, $91.20; G. E. Wales and wife (Monitor), $2; J. W. Battey (Washita), $50; Indv.: Sarah Latimer, $15; C. A. Sale, $1, ... 173.80

Oregon—$4.00

Cong.: S. Breuer (Myrtle Point), ... 4.00

Pennsylvania—$2,643.15

E. Dist., Cong.: Chiques, $31; Mechanic Grove, $2.50; Midway, $124.49; Mingo, $70; Swatara, Big, $122.50; White Oak, $160; Mrs. Elizabeth L. Meekley (Conewago), $10; Unknown donor (Elizabethtown), $2; Miss O. E. Long (Harrisburg), $5; Mrs. Thos. L. Smith (Maiden Creek), $15; No. 102353 (Midway), $10; Samuel F. Gottshall (Mingo), $100; Beryl Firestone (Spring Creek), $50; S. S.: Annville, $29.10; South Annville (Annville) $22.60; E. Fairview, $15.00; E. Petersburg, $6.34; Hatfield, $125.07; Indian Creek, $50; Mechanic Grove, $30.13; John B. Showalter's Young Men's Bible Class, Palmyra, $5; Spring Creek, $17.75; Spring Grove, $27.33; Ladies' Bible Class, Hanoverdale (Swatara, Big), $5; Schubert (Swatara, Little), $17.25; Y. P. D.: Swatara, Little, $7.50, ... 1,060.56

Mid. Dist., Cong.: 28th St. Altoona, $75; Dry Valley, $50; Lewistown, $75.23; Spring Run, $19.50; Pine Glen (Spring Run), $5.50; Mrs. R. E. Reisinger (First Altoona), $3; Martha Mentzer (28th St. Altoona), $4; Wealthy Burkholder (Aughwick), $4; Ada Secrist (Aughwick), $1; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek), $12; A. B. Mock (Martinsburg), $5; Hazel Ober (New Enterprise), $5; Wilbur O. Snyder (Tyrone), $2.50; S. S.: Rockhill (Aughwick), $17.27; Sugar Run (Aughwick), $1.82; Maitland (Dry Valley), $6.65; James Creek, $3.50; Friendly Bible Class, Lewistown, $5; Snake Spring, $10; Spring Run, $98; Williamsburg, $117; Curryville (Woodbury), $6.23; Indv.: E. G. Wakefield, $5, ... 532.20

S. E. Dist., Cong.: Roland L. Howe (First Philadelphia), $5; Francis W. Price (Germantown, Philadelphia), $100; A Sister, (Green Tree), $5; S. S.: First Philadelphia, $100, .. 210.00

So. Dist., Cong.: Back Creek, $26.80; Brandts (Back Creek), $3.19; Lost Creek, $54.92; New Fairview, $56; Sugar Valley, $25; Upper Conewago, $46.64; Jacob E. Trimmer (Carlisle), $100; Mrs. Mary E. Bashore (Lost Creek), $1; Krissinger Sisters (Lost Creek), $6; Mary A. Paul (Lower Cumberland), $2; Mrs. Isaac S. Miller (Upper Conewago), $50; S. S.: Mechanicsburg, $11.45; "Truth Seekers" Class, Good Will (Lost Creek), $5; Mt. Olivet, $11.50; New Fairview, $13.25; Ridge, $12; Melrose (Upper Codorus), $5.03; Aid Soc.: East Berlin (Upper Conewago), $25; Indv.: H. K. Latshaw, $2.90; Ellen S. Strauser, $1, ... 458.68

W. Dist., Cong.: Glade Run, $10; Locust Grove, $18.09; Montgomery, $11.15; Mt. Union, $30; Pleasant Hill, $80; Cowanshannock (Plum Creek), $7.84; Maple Spring (Quemahoning), $15; Sipesville, $48; J. Lloyd Nedrow (M. N.) (Glade Run), $1; Emma C. Blough (Hooversville), $5; Cathrine A. Walker (Manor), $1; Edward Donahey & Wife (Montgomery), $3; Geo. L. Foster & Wife (Pittsburgh), $5; Wilbur Gloom & Wife (Rockton), $2; D. P. Hoover (M. N.) (Rummel), $.50; D. P. Hoover & Family (Rummel) $100; S. S.: Glade Run, $27.30; Plum Creek, $7.83; Greenville (Rockton), $1; Aid Soc.: Greensburg, $5; Locust Grove, $3, .. 381.71

South Dakota—$29.25

Cong.: Willow Creek, $19.25; James Miller (Willow Creek), $5; Indv.: An Isolated Member, $5, ... 29.25

Tennessee—$13.00

Indv.: F. G. Davis, $3; Nicolaus Kall, $10, ... 13.00

Virginia—$646.93

E. Dist., Cong.: Hollywood, $3.86; Manassas, $110.37; Mt. Carmel, $26.21, ... 140.44

1st Dist., Cong.: Mrs. J. C. Nininger (Antioch) $2; A. M. Frantz & Wife (Greenbrier), $7; S. S.: Cloverdale, $71.59, .. 80.59

No. Dist., Cong.: Flat Rock, $4.17; Garbers

(Cook Creek), $40.25; Harrisonburg, $22.50; New Port (Mt. Zion), $7.55; Trout Run, $6.86; Upper Lost Diver, $3.15; Mrs. Phoebe Hansenfluck & Family (Salem), $10; Sarah C. Andes (Timberville), $1; S. S.: Smith Creek, $3; Sutherland, $6.02,	104.50
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Bridgewater, $274.26; Mrs. Bettie Harnsberger (Barren Ridge), $25; Ira L. and Cora V. Garber (Middle River), $10; L. Sue and Leon Kiracofe, (Sangerville), $2; Mrs. Frank Stultz (Crab Run, Upper Lost River), $5; S. S.: Bridgewater, $5.14,	321.40
Washington—$118.14	
Cong.: Greenwood, $6.87; Outlook, $12.41; Yakima, $78.36; Milo Barnhart (Tacoma), $5; B. F. Glick (Tacoma), $10; John W. Graybill (Wenatchee Valley), $5; R. F. Hiner (M. N.) (Wenatchee Valley), $.50,	118.14
West Virginia—$95.22	
1st Dist., Cong.: Old Furnace, $9; Beulah C. Cosner (Allegheny), $5; Martha Blackman (Bean Settlement), $1; Edith Funkhouser (Bean Settlement), $1; S. L. Heare (Bean Settlement), $3; I. W. Poland (Bean Settlement), $1; A. J. Kearns (Capon Chapel), $4; O. W. Shanholtz (Capon Chapel), $10; R. A. Smith (Capon Chapel), $1; Chas. G. Snyder (Capon Chapel), $5; Fannie Michal (Greenland), $4; M. Kate Smith (Greenland), $1; Sarah Leatherman (Keyser), $4; W. F. Ellifritz (New Creek), $2; Abe Ferribee (New Creek), $5; F. G. Ferribee (New Creek), $2; G. J. Cook (Old Furnace), $4; Gertie O'Brien (Old Furnace), $4; C. F. Bubar (Red Creek), $6; Isaac Mallow (Seneca), $4; Mrs. Alice Liller (White Pine), $5; S. S.: Kelley Chepel (White Pine), $4.22,	85.22
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Lettie Tenney (Beans Chapel), $4; A. J. Sines (Goshen), $5; Mary Spurgeon (Pleasant Valley), $1,	10.00
Wisconsin—$16.71	
Cong.: Chippewa Valley $11.28; S. S.: Stanley, $5.43,	16.71
Total for the month,	$ 9,362.68
Total previously reported,	35,796.20
	$45,158.88
Correction No. 21,	43.00
Correction No. 22,	92.01
Total for the year,	$45,023.87

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND 1926-27

Indiana—$882..50	
Mid. Dist., Student Volunteers of Manchester College,	$ 882.50
Total for the month,	$ 882.50
Total previously reported,	2,241.41
Total for the year,	$ 3,123.91

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND 1927-28

Illinois—$61.00	
No. Dist., Student Volunteers of Mount Morris College,	$ 61.00
Total for the month,	$.. 61.00
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 61.00

AID SOCIETY FOREIGN MISSION FUND

Indiana—$76.00	
So. Dist., Aid Societies,	$ 76.00
Ohio—$30.40	
N. E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Danville,	30.40
Total for the month,	$ 106.40
Total previously reported,	3,006.62
Total for the year,	$ 3,113.02

AID SOCIETY MISSION FUND—1927

California—$136.00	
So. Dist., and Arizona Aid Societies,	$ 136.00
Pennsylvania—$48.00	
W. Dist., Aid Societies,	48.00
Virginia—$24.00	
No. Dist., Aid Societies,	24.00
Total for the month,	$ 208.00
Total previously reported,	297.00
Total for the year,	$ 505.00

HOME MISSIONS

Alabama—$5.10	
Cong.: Oneonta,	$ 5.10
Arizona—$19.63	
Cong.: Phoenix,	19.63
California—$1,413.99	
No. Dist., Cong.: Butte Valley, $24.71; Empire, $66.50; Fresno, $17.51; Lindsay, $30; McFarland, $48.71; Modesto, $34.75; Oakland, $69.55; Reedley, $71; S. S.: Figarden, $22.05,	$ 384.78
So. Dist., Cong.: Covina, $121.78; E. San Diego, $13.32; First Los Angeles, $116.30; Hemet, $13.36; Inglewood, $13.61; La Verne, $290.36; Pasadena, $418.32; Pomona, $3; San Bernardino, $19.16; Aid Soc.: Hermosa Beach, $10; La Verne, $10,	1,029.21
China—$100.00	
Indv.: Dr. D. L. Horning and wife,	100.00
Colorado—$47.71	
E. Dist., Cong.: Colorado Springs, $20; McClave, $27.71,	47.71
Florida—$14.75	
Cong.: Arcadia, $4.75; Sebring, $10,	14.75
Idaho—$86.62	
Cong.: Clearwater, $2.30; Emmett, $35; Moscow, $6.05; Nezperce, $27.37; Winchester, $10.90; S. B. Gochnour (Twin Falls), $5,	86.62
Illinois—$846.87	
No. Dist., Cong.: Batavia, $11.01; Bethel, $80.39; Cherry Grove, $36.70; Hickory Grove, $7.50; Lanark, $170.46; Milledgeville, $116.05; Mt. Morris, $72; Shannon, $5; Yellow Creek, $12.50; Mrs. M. C. Stephens (Bethel), $5; Aid Soc.: Freeport, $10; Indv.: Unknown donor of No. III., $2,	528.61
So. Dist., Cong.: Astoria, $42.18; Champaign, $22.98; Girard, $19.38; La Motte Prairie, $21.20; Panther Creek, $8.02; Virden, $96.97; Woodland, $50.33; Congs. of So. Ill., $56.20; Mrs. J. H. Neal (Girard), $1,	318.26
Indiana—$967.29	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Andrews, $5; Clear Creek, $81.04; Flora, $67.50; Loon Creek, $45; Mexico, $54.96; Peru, $47; Pleasant Dale, $21.79; Portland, $15.26; South Whitley, $23.64; Spring Creek, $47.58; Sugar Creek, $2.40; Walton, $12.16; S. S.: Loon Creek, $20; Aid Soc.: Loon Creek, $5; Pike Creek (Monticello), $3.58,	451.91
No. Dist., Cong.: Auburn, $5.88; Bethany, $20.30; Bethel, $10; Blue River, $6; Bremen, $23.04; Cedar Creek, $13.58; Cedar Lake, $10.25; Center, $26.31; Pleasant Hill, $40; Pleasant Valley, $57.43; Rock Run, $46.10; Second South Bend, $10.39; Amos Hoover Family (Yellow Creek), $5; Aid Soc.: Blue River, $15; Pleasant Valley, $5,	294.28
So. Dist., Cong.: Beech Grove, $4.35; Grace (Indianapolis), $54.38; Kokomo, $5.50; Maple Grove, $23.65; Nettle Creek, $86.04; Upper Fall Creek, $1; White, $7.18; F. M. Bowers (Indianapolis), $20; Esta Lannerd (Nettle Creek, $14; Aid Soc.: Beech Grove, $5,	221.10
Iowa—$943.99	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Cedar Rapids, $100; Dallas Center, $74.55; Des Moines, $19.10; Des Moines Valley, $55; Iowa River, $22; Panther Creek, $98.02; S. S.: Coon River, $11.41,	380.08
No. Dist., Cong.: Franklin County, $22.25; Ivester, $257.70; South Waterloo, $36.75; Spring Creek, $20.53; Rebecca Heagley (Sheldon), $5; S. S.: Union Ridge, (Franklin County), $25.78,	368.01
So. Dist., Cong.: English River, $101.50; Franklin, $20.95; Libertyville, $45; Monroe County, $7.70; North English, $18.75; Mrs. Della Huffine (Council Bluffs), $2,	195.90

Kansas—$647.11

N. E. Dist. Cong.: Abilene City, $44.50; Calvary, $15; Morrill, $189.50; Olathe, $13.45; Ottawa, $2; Sabetha, $80.50; S. S.: Navarre, $6.08, ... 351.03

N. W. Dist., Cong.: No. Solomon, $17.40; Quinter, $25; A. G. Bishop (Maple Grove), $10.28, ... 52.68

S. E. Dist., Cong.: Hollow, $5; Osage, $20.08; S. S.: Osage, $10; Aid Soc.: Osage, $10, ... 45.08

S. W. Dist., Cong.: McPherson, $103; Monitor, $36.32; Salem Community, $55; Mrs. V. E. Whitmer (First Wichita), $4, ... 198.32

Louisiana—$76.75

Cong.: Roanoke, ... 76.75

Maryland—$289.90

E. Dist., Cong.: Bush Creek, $35.98; First Baltimore, $24.29; Green Hill, $10.13; Long Green Valley, $11; Meadow Branch, $14.44; Washington City, $86; S. P. Early & Wife (Woodberry, Baltimore), $5; S. S.: Westminster (Meadow Branch), $36.50; Aid Soc.: New Windsor (Pipe Creek), $10, ... 233.34

Mid. Dist., Cong.: A Sister (Broadfording), $4; Aid Soc.: Maugansville (Broadfording), $10; Pleasant View, $10, ... 24.00

W. Dist., Cong.: Fairview, ... 32.56

Michigan—$60.53

Cong.: Beaverton, $30.53; Long Lake, $10; Woodland Village, $20, ... 60.53

Minnesota—$44.06

Cong.: Bethel, $3.12; Hancock, $12.62; Worthington, $28.32, ... 44.06

Missouri—$258.21

No. Dist., Cong.: No. Bethel, $10; No. St. Joseph, $13.40; Pleasant View, $11.66; Shelby County, $5.10; So. Fork, $50.45; Wakenda, $51.46, ... 142.07

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mineral Creek, $31.41; Osceola, $1.91; Warrensburg, $31.87, ... 65.19

So. Dist., Cong.: Broadwater, $10.55; Fairview, $40.40, ... 50.95

Montana—$5.00

E. Dist., Cong.: D. M. Moothart (Grand View), ... 5.00

Nebraska—$343.51

Cong.: Bethel, $110; Enders, $60.35; Falls City, $39; Kearney, $44.66; Lincoln, $21; Octavia, $7; So. Beatrice, $56.50; H. J. Miller (Alvo), $5, ... 343.51

New Mexico—$6.75

Cong.: Clovis, ... 6.75

North Carolina—$5.30

Cong.: Mt. Carmel, ... 5.30

North Dakota—$60.03

Cong.: Berthold, $3; Brumbaugh, $8.75; Egeland, $14.78; James River, $8.50; Minot, $25, ... 60.03

Ohio—$1,254.15

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Baltic, $24; Black River, $121; E. Chippewa, $17.08; Danville, $54.21; Kent, $10; Maple Grove, $45.36; Olivet, $43.56; Owl Creek, $26.15: Richland, $37.07; S. S.: Bethel, $35.31; Aid Soc.: E. Chippewa, $6; Reading, $20.11, ... 439.85

N. W. Dist., Cong.: Bellefontaine, $14.65; Black Swamp, $10.46; Greenspring, $24.92; Pleasant View, $91.16; Sand Ridge, $6.70; Sugar Creek, $9.60; Mrs. Agnes Smith (Deshler), $5; Y. P. D.: Portage, $5.13; Aid Soc.: Fostoria, $28.63, ... 196.25

So. Dist., Cong.: Bradford, $11.55: Castine, $42; Donnels Creek, $40.82; Fort McKinley, $80; Harris Creek, $82.13; Middle District, $50.82; New Carlisle, $73.28; Painter Creek, $51.07; Pitsburg, $27.41; Springfield, $16.35; West Charleston, $60.47; Laura J. Knisley (Brookville), $4; Aid Soc.: Castine, $10; E. Dayton, $5; Springfield, $3.15; Indv.: Harris Harman & Family, $10; No. 102397, $50, ... 618.05

Oklahoma—$65.75

Cong.: Big Creek, $38.75; Thomas, $5; Mary Wattenbarger (Thomas), $2; Aid Soc.: Big Creek, $5; Indv.: A Co-Worker $15, ... 65.75

Oregon—$86.10

Cong.: Ashland, $25; Grants Pass, $16; Mabel, $18.15; Newberg, $3.35; Portland, $13.60; Chas. E. Wolff & Family (Myrtle Point), $10, ... 86.10

Pennsylvania—$2,152.66

E. Dist., Cong.: E. Fairview, $38.15; Fredericksburg, $30; Hatfield, $70.66; Indian Creek, $179; Palmyra, $66.73; Ridgely, $18.27; Spring Creek, $33.81; Swatara, Little, $56.50; West Conestoga, $113; West Green Tree, $55.16; Mrs. Mattie O. Weaver (E. Fairview), $1; No. 102353 (Midway), $10; S. S.: Bareville (Conestoga), $41.23, ... 713.51

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Bannerville (Dry Valley), $5.33; Bellwood, $15.35; Cherry Lane, $7.20; Dry Valley, $11.58; Huntingdon, $10.17; Lewistown, $98.36; New Enterprise, $50; Roaring Spring, $16.60; Snake Spring, $26; Spring Run, $97.50; Women's Missionary Society (Huntingdon), $5; C. Snyder (Snake Spring), $10; Levi E. Greenawalt (Yellow Creek), $1; S. S.: Huntingdon, $40; James Creek, $4.35; " Truth Seekers " Class, Roaring Spring, $10; Aid Soc.: Huntingdon, $44.83; Spring Run, $25, ... 477.77

S. E. Dist., Cong.: Wilmington, ... 25.68

So. Dist., Cong.: Back Creek, $22; Codorus, $128; Hanover, $23.60; Sugar Valley, $9.69; Waynesboro, $373.62; Indv.: Mrs. Mattie F. Hollinger, $2, ... 558.91

W. Dist., Cong.: Beachdale (Berlin), $14; Cowanshannock, $5.96; Mt. Joy, $61.57; Penn Run, $30; Pleasant Hill, $50; Plum Creek, $11.73; Rockton, $5; Rummel, $39.15; Shade Creek, $40.67; Summit Mills, $42.71; Uniontown (Georges Creek), $60; Mrs. Wesley Hossebroth (Cumberland) $1; Ada Bowman (Middle Creek), $5; E. G. and Ida R. Hetrick (Red Bank), $10, ... 376.79

Tennessee—$32.60

Cong.: Beaver Creek, $18.60; Mountain Valley, $14, ... 32.60

Texas—$111.20

Cong.: Ft. Worth, $65; Manvel, $30.20; S. S.: Falfurrias, $16, ... 111.20

Virginia—$793.76

E. Dist., Cong.: Belmont, $6.25; Locust Grove, $8; Madison, $10; Midland, $23; Mutton Hollow (Mt. Carmel), $4.35; Nokesville, $40.21; Oronoco, $5; Richmond, $3.25; B. Y. P. D.: Nokesville, $10, ... 110.06

1st Dist., Cong.: Cloverdale, $65; Mrs. Ethel Ankrum (Chestnut Grove), $5; S. S.: Pleasant View (Chestnut Grove), $14.70, ... 84.70

No. Dist., Cong.: Cooks Creek, $37.50; Salem, $1.60; Smith Creek, $10.08; Unity, $45.35; S. S.: Wakeman's Grove (Pleasant View), $13; Aid Soc.: Eastern, Mill Creek, $10; Western, Mill Creek, $53.50, ... 171.03

Sec. Dist., Cong.: Bridgewater, $146.21; Elk Run, $24; Pleasant Valley, $72.68; Sangerville, $83.62; Staunton, $15; Summit, $43.30; Valley Bethel, $6.78; Frank Stultz (Crab Run, Upper Lost River), $5; Aid Soc.: Barren Ridge, $10.50; Oak Grove (Lebanon), $7.20, 414.29

So. Dist., Cong.: Pulaski, $5; Shelton. $8.68, 13.68

Washington—$250.55

Cong.: Okanogan Valley, $9.75; Olympia, $24.61; Omak, $15.55; Seattle, $19.83; Wenatchee Valley, $71.25; Whitestone, $24.76; S. S.: Adult Department (Sunnyside), $84.80, ... 250.55

West Virginia—$408.29

1st Dist., Cong.: Bethel (White Pine), $2.80; Greenland, $10.50; Harman, $72.76; Sandy Creek, $300; C. W. Martin (Greenland), $2; Anna Hershey (White Pine), $1.50; S. S.: Bright Hollow (Capon Chapel), $3.73; White Pine, $10, ... 403.29

Sec. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Gertrude Brown (Bethany), ... 5.00

Wisconsin—$38.14

Cong.: Maple Grove, $6.50; Rice Lake, $17.83; White Rapids, $12.81; Mrs. A. M. Cornwall (Stanley), $1, ... 38.14

Total for the month, ... $11,436.30
Total previously reported, ... 5,429.75

Total for the year, ... $16,866.05

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

California—$5.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: A Sister, (Fresno), ...$	5.00
Indiana—$18.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Bachelors Run,	18.00
Iowa—$25.00	
Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Dallas Center,	20.00
No. Dist., Cong.: H. E. Slifer (Ivester),	5.00
Kansas—$30.00	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Junior Department, Morrill,	30.00
Ohio—$100.00	
So. Dist., Indv.: Annie May Calvert,	100.00
Oklahoma—$1.00	
Indv.: Garst,	1.00
Pennsylvania—$5.00	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Individual (Royersford),	5.00
Virginia—$40.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: Manassas,	40.00
Total for the month, ...$	224.00
Total previously reported,	370.74
Total for the year, ...$	594.74

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Indiana—$141.81	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Cart Creek, $60.81; David Stoner (Flora), $1, ...$	61.81
No. Dist., Cong.: Bethany, $50; Vera Steele (First South Bend), $10,	60.00
So. Dist., Cong.: F. M. Bowers (Indianapolis),	20.00
Kansas—100.00	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Howard Button (Ramona),	100.00
Maryland—$20.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: Wm. E. Roop (Meadow Branch),	20.00
Michigan—$36.89	
Cong.: Lakeview,	36.89
Missouri—$11.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Dorothy Oxley (Deepwater),	11.00
North Dakota—$10.00	
Aid Soc.: Ellison,	10.00
Ohio—$116.11	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Baltic,	16.11
So. Dist., Cong.: Greenville, $50; Indv.: No. 102397, $50,	100.00
Pennsylvania—$151.75	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Huntingdon, $100; Raven Run, $8.43; S. S.: "Busy Bee" Class and "Beacon Lights" Class of Bannerville, (Dry Valley), $6,	114.43
So. Dist., S. S.: Chestnut Grove (Upper Codorus), $22.32; Indv.: Calvert N. Ellis, $5,	27.32
W. Dist., Aid Soc.: Rummel,	10.00
Washington—$3.00	
Cong.: Omak,	3.00
West Virginia—$50.00	
1st Dist., Cong.: W. W. Bane & Wife (Beaver Run),	50.00
Total for the month, ...$	640.56
Total previously reported,	2,384.37
Total for the year, ...$	3,024.93

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1927

California—$75.86	
No. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept., Empire, $9.25; Junior Dept., Empire, $25; Laton, $32.61; Three Children's Classes, Live Oak, $9, ...$	75.86
Colorado—$1.45	
E. Dist., Cong.: Antioch,	1.45
Idaho—$34.75	
S. S.: Children of Boise Valley, ...$	34.75
Illinois—$296.48	
No. Dist., S. S.: Beginners Class, Bethel, $9; Junior Classes, Bethel, $19.25; Primary Classes, Bethel, $14; Intermediate Classes, Bethel, $32.08; Junior C. W. S.'s, Milledgeville, $21.40; Junior League, Polo, $25.82,	121.55
So. Dist., S. S.: Juniors, Cerro Gordo, $23.40; Junior Dept., LaMotte Prairie, $25.76; Primary Dept., Okaw, $39.15; Children of S. S., Okaw, $26.05; Primary Dept., Virden, $20.50; Woodland, $40.07,	174.93
Indiana—$332.41	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, Hickory Grove, $63.26; Spring Creek, $75,	138.26
No. Dist., S. S.: Bethany, $18.90; Primary Dept., Blue River, $67; Primary Dept., Union Center, $29.25; Junior League, West Goshen, $15,	130.15
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, Four Mile, $64,	64.00
Iowa—$67.40	
No. Dist., Cong.: Sheldon,	20.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept., English River, $24.65; Junior and Intermediate Depts., English River, $21.75; Ruth & Myrna Fisher, Osceola, $1,	47.40
Kansas—$13.31	
S. W. Dist., S. S.: Children of Conway Springs,	13.31
Maryland—$40.47	
E. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, Pleasant Hill (Bush Creek), $27.55; Junior League, Westminster (Meadow Branch), $8.92; D. V. B. S.: Detour (Monocacy), $4,	40.47
Michigan—$42.39	
S. S.: Intermediate Girls, Beaverton, $3.71; Junior Dept., Lakeview, $20.68; Children of Manistee, $18,	42.39
Minnesota—$9.60	
S. S.: Intermediate Class, Bethel,	9.60
Missouri—$40.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: Walnut Grove (Smith Fork),	40.00
Nebraska—$46.48	
Cong.: Bethel, $31.05; Lincoln, $15.43,	46.48
Ohio—$473.92	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Children of Ashland Dickey, $65.76; Children of Center, $43.83; Freeburg, $146.50,	256.09
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, North Poplar Ridge,	5.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Beech Grove, $33.03; S. S.: Primary Dept., Ft. McKinley, $22; Junior League, Lower Miami, $64; Junior League, New Carlisle, $70.74; Junior League, Union City, $7.36; Nine primary children of Wheatville (Upper Twin), $15.70,	212.83
Oregon—$20.50	
S. S.: Junior Classes, Grants Pass,	20.50
Pennsylvania—$383.56	
E. Dist., S. S.: Shamokin,	13.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Children of New Enterprise, $59.53; Spring Run, $99.06,	158.59
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, Brown's Mill (Falling Spring), $43.55; Intermediate Girls' Class, Pleasant Hill (Codorus), $28; "Sunbeam" Class, Ridge, $2; Black Rock (Upper Codorus), $57.12; Primary, Junior, Intermediate, and Young People's Classes, Chestnut Grove (Upper Codorus), $54,	184.67
W. Dist., S. S.: "Sunshine" Class, Glade Run, $10; Rummel, $17.30,	27.30
Virginia—$252.46	
E. Dist., S. S.: Primary Class, Hollywood, $3.13; Son of R. M. Figgers (Oronoco), $2,	5.13
1st Dist., Cong.: Pleasant View,	15.68
No. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept., Mt. Zion, $3.50; Primary Class, Valley Pike (Woodstock), $5; Indv.: Vernie Baker, $1,	9.50
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Sangerville, $80; S. S.: Barren Ridge, $80.35; Voilette V. Null (Pleasant Valley), $1; Primaries & Beginners, Summit, $23.56; Juniors, Summit, $37.24,	222.15
Washington—$192.87	
S. S.: Outlook, $42.25; Children of Sunnyside, $120; Whitestone, $30.62,	192.87
Wisconsin—$3.38	
S. S.: Worden,	3.38
Total for the month, ...$	2,327.29
Total previously reported,	781.41
Total for the year, ...$	3,108.70

B. Y. P. D. FUND—1927

Indiana—$5.00	
So. Dist., Y. P. D.: Grace (Indianapolis),	$ 5.00
Iowa—$25.00	
Mid. Dist., Y. P. D.: Beaver ,	25.00
Kansas—$5.00	
N. E. Dist., Y. P. D.: Ottawa,	5.00
Missouri—$5.50	
Mid. Dist., Y. P. D: Prairie View,	5.50
Nebraska—$25.00	
Y. P. D.: Bethel,	25.00
Ohio—$45.32	
N. E. Dist., Y. P. D.: Center,	14.00
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Mission Study Class, Marion, $10.32; Y. P. D.: Silver Creek, 6,	16.32
So. Dist., Y. P. D.: Harris Creek,	15.00
Pennsylvania—$109.11	
Mid. Dist., Y. P. D.: Spring Run,	38.00
So. Dist., Y. P. D.: Brown's Mill (Falling Spring),	11.11
W. Dist., Y. P. D.: Berkey (Shade Creek),	60.00
Virginia—$8.62	
Sec. Dist., Y. P. D.: Moscow,	8.62
Washington—$4.95	
C. W. S.: Omak,	4.95
Total for the month,	$ 233.50
Total previously reported,	921.21
Total for the year,	$ 1,154.71

INDIA MISSION

Iowa—$5.00	
No. Dist., Cong..: H. E. Slifer (Ivester),	$ 5.00
Kansas—$1.00	
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. M. Keller (Larned),	1.00
Maryland—$2.00	
Mid Dist., Cong: John A. Myers (Licking Creek),	2.00
Missouri—2.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Lizzie Fahnestock (Deepwater),	2.00
Pennsylvania—$53.50	
E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Mattie O. Weaver (E. Fairview), $1; S. S.: "Ever Faithful" Class, Chiques, $22.50,	23.50
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Individual (Royersford),	5.00
W. Dist., Cong.: John F. Graham (Shade Creek),	25.00
West Virginia—$1.00	
1st Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Minnie B. Miller (Eglon),	1.00
Total for the month,	$ 64.50
Total previously reported,	1,862.42
Total for the year,	$ 1,926.92

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Indiana—35.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: "Good Samaritan Class," Plymouth,	$ 35.00
Iowa—$5.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: So. Keokuk,	5.00
Kansas—$37.00	
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Bloom, $25; S. S.: First Wichita, $12.	37.00
Ohio—$6.25	
So. Dist., S. S.: "Golden Rule" Class, Lower Stillwater,	6.25
Pennsylvania—$111.25	
E. Dist., S. S.: Florin (West Green Tree), $35; Aid Soc.: West Green Tree, $26.25; C. W. S.: Indian Creek, $50,	111.25
Virginia—$35.00	
Sec. Dist., Aid Soc.: Pleasant Valley,	35.00
Total for the month,	$ 229.50
Total previously reported,	674.74
Total for the year,	$ 904.24

INDIA SHARE PLAN

California—$50.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: Hemet,	$ 50.00
Indiana—$175.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Pipe Creek, $100; Grace Miller Murphy (Mexico), $75,	175.00
Maryland—$25.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: "Berean Bible Class," Ridge College, (Pipe Creek),	25.00
Ohio—$87.50	
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Claude G. Vore (Lima),	25.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Altruists" Class, E. Dayton, $12.50; Painter Creek, $50,	50.00
Pennsylvania—$247.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: Ridgely, $21.50; S. S.: "Character Builders" Class, Midway, $13,	34.50
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Roaring Spring	50.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Wm. P. Keim & Wife (Harmonyville), $25; S. S.: "Greater Missionary Class," Norristown, $25,	50.00
So. Dist., Cong.: B. F. Lightner & Wife (Marsh Creek),	12.50
W. Dist., S. S.: Men's Loyal Bible Class, Rummel,	100.00
Total for the month,	$ 584.50
Total previously reported,	3,518.62
Total for the year,	$ 4,103.12

QUINTER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Pennsylvania—$30.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners Class," Ephrata,	$ 30.00
Total for the month,	$ 30.00
Total previously reported,	100.00
Total for the year,	$ 130.00

DAHANU HOSPITAL

Oregon—$18.25	
Cong.: Tucker Family (Weston), $5; S. S.: Junior Dept. Weston, $13.25,	$ 18.25
Total for the month,	$ 18.25
Total previously reported,	15.00
Total for the year,	$ 33.25

CHINA MISSION

Indiana—$2.05	
So. Dist., S. S.: Middletown,	$ 2.05
Iowa—$5.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: H. E. Slifer (Ivester),	5.00
Kansas—$5.00	
S. W. Dist., Cong.: McPherson,	5.00
Maryland—$13.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: Green Hill,	10.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: John A. Myers (Licking Creek),	3.00
Pennsylvania—$31.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Mattie O. Weaver (E. Fairview),	1.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Individual (Royersford),	5.00
W. Dist., Cong.: John F. Graham (Shade Creek),	25.00
Total for the month,	$ 56.05
Total previously reported,	1,633.13
Total for the year,	$ 1,689.18

CHINA NATIVE WORKER

Ohio—$75.00	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Ashland Dickey,	$ 75.00
Washington—$94.38	
S. S.: Seattle,	94.38
Total for the month,	$ 169.38
Total previously reported,	130.95
Total for the year,	$ 300.33

CHINA SHARE PLAN

Illinois—$25.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: Women's Class, Elgin,	$ 25.00
Indiana—$100.00	
Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Manchester,	100.00

North Dakota—$25.00	
S. S.: Kenmare,	25.00
Total for the month,	$ 150.00
Total previously reported,	1,271.09
Total for the year,	$ 1,421.09

LIAO CHOU HOSPITAL

Cuba—$24.00	
Omaja Cuba Memorial,	$ 24.00
Total for the month,	$ 24.00
Total previously reported,	33.23
Total for the year,	$ 57.23

CHINA HOSPITALS

Pennsylvania—$25.00	
W. Dist., S. S.: Hooversville,	$ 25.00
Total for the month,	$ 25.00
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 25.00

AFRICA MISSION

Indiana—$8.09	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Walton,	$ 7.09
So. Dist., Cong.: D. T. Bailiff (Arcadia),	1.00
Iowa—$7.75	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: C. Z. Reitz (Maxwell),	2.75
No. Dist., Cong.: H. E. Slifer (Ivester),	5.00
Kansas—$10.00	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Osage,	10.00
Maryland—$26.02	
E. Dist., Cong.: Westminster (Meadow Branch), $16.02; D. V. B. S.: Westminster (Meadow Branch), $10,	26.02
Ohio—$102.75	
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior Class, Gratis, $2.75; Indv.: Annie May Calvert, $100,	102.75
Pennsylvania—$341.65	
E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Mattie O. Weaver (E. Fairview), $1; S. S.: Ridgely, $35.65,	$ 36.65
S. E. Dist., Cong.: First Philadelphia, $125; Individual (Royersford), $5,	130.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Missionary Soc. (Roxbury), $100; John F. Graham (Shade Creek), $25; S. S.: Beginners Classes, Geiger, $50,	175.00
Virginia—$15.00	
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Elsie V. Crickenberger (Staunton),	15.00
Washington—$10.00	
Cong.: M. A. Verbeck (Okanogan Valley),	10.00
Wisconsin—$.50	
S. S.: Stanley,	.50
Total for the month,	$ 521.76
Total previously reported,	3,260.05
	$ 3,781.81
Correction No. 23,	2.77
Total for the year,	$ 3,779.04

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

Maryland—$25.00	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Altruistic Bible Class, Hagerstown,	$ 25.00
Pennsylvania—$3.47	
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept., First Philadelphia,	3.47
Total for the month,	$ 28.47
Total previousl yreported,	468.40
	$ 496.87
Correction No. 23,	2.77
Total for the year,	$ 499.64

SWEDEN MISSION

Pennsylvania—$1.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Mattie O. Weaver (E. Fairview),	$ 1.00
Total for the month,	$ 1.00
Total previously reported,	77.95
Total for the year,	$ 78.95

MINISTERIAL AND MISSIONARY RELIEF

Idaho—$5.00	
Cong.: James A. and Adaline Stouder (Nampa),	$ 5.00
Illinois—$5.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: Bethel,	$ 5.00
Washington—$51.00	
Cong.: No. 102063 (Olympia), $50; Lizzie D. Mohler (Whitestone), $1,	51.00
Total for the month,	$ 61.00
Total previously reported,	67.50
Total for the year,	$ 128.50

NEAR EAST RELIEF

California—$21.02	
No. Dist., Cong.: Virgil & Jennie Fouts (Laton),	$ 5.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Hermosa Beach,	16.02
Illinois—$44.50	
No. Dist., Cong.: Lanark, $14; S. S.: Shannon, $16.50,	30.50
So. Dist., Cong.: Astoria,	14.50
Indiana—$12.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: West Eel River,	12.00
Iowa—$12.63	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Coon River,	6.83
So. Dist., S. S.: Franklin,	5.80
Maryland—$39.54	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Broadfording,	12.00
W. Dist., S. S.: Maple Grove,	27.54
Michigan—$1.00	
Indv.: Unknown donor of Brutus,	1.00
Missouri—$17.04	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mineral Creek,	17.04
Nebraska—$12.56	
Cong.: Octavia, $5; Omaha, $7.56,	12.56
Pennsylvania—$609.93	
E. Dist., Cong.: Annville, $170; Maiden Creek, $29.92; Palmyra, $83.49; S. S.: Annville, $24.12; Heidleberg, $35; "Character Builders Class," Midway, $5; Hannah Binner's Class, Midway, $5; Elizabeth Martin's Class, Midway, $5; "Willing Workers" Class, Midway, $5; Skippack (Mingo), $21.50; Easton (Peach Blossom), $13.42; Spring Creek, $16.56; Springville, $30,	444.01
Mid. Dist., Cong.: First Altoona, $20; S. S.: Spring Run, $30.63,	50.63
So. Dist., S. S.: New Fairview,	82.16
W. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Elizabeth Mills (Walnut Grove, Johnstown), $5; Ada Bowman (Middle Creek), $5; S. S.: Maple Grove (Johnstown), $12; Plum Creek, $11.13,	33.13
Virginia—$16.50	
No. Dist., S. S.: Valley Pike (Woodstock),	16.50
Wisconsin—$3.10	
S. S.: Worden,	3.10
Total for the month,	$ 790.32
Total previously reported,	942.67
Total for the year,	$ 1,732.99

ARMENIAN RELIEF

Idaho—$2.25	
Cong.: Payette Valley,	$ 2.25
Total for the month,	$ 2.25
Total previously reported,	5.00
Total for the year,	$ 7.25

BROOKLYN ITALIAN CHURCH FUND

Pennsylvania—$10.00	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. E. E. Borthwick (First Philadelphia),	10.00
Total for the month,	$ 10.00
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 10.00

CONFERENCE BUDGET

California—$13.25	
No. Dist., S. S.: Patterson,	$ 13.25

Illinois—$177.11	
No. Dist., Cong.: Elgin,	177.11
Indiana—$178.67	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mexico,	103.51
No. Dist., Cong.: Plymouth, $21.26; Rock Run, $53.90,	75.16
Maryland—$50.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: New Windsor (Pipe Creek),	50.00
Minnesota—$25.00	
Cong.: Minneapolis,	25.00
Ohio—$281.38	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Irena & Irma Kurtz (Canton City), $10; E. Chippewa, $41,	51.00
N. W. Dist., Cong.: E. Swan Creek (Swan Creek),	18.00
So. Dist., Cong.: New Carlisle, $202.98; Union City, $9.40,	212.38
Pennsylvania—$17.85	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Yellow Creek,	11.85
W. Dist., Cong.: Middlecreek,	6.00
Virginia—$53.65	
No. Dist., Cong.: Unity,	49.65
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Chimney Run,	4.00
Washington—$22.85	
Cong.: Tacoma, $12.85; Aid Soc.: Tacoma, $10,	22.85
Total for the month,	$ 819.76
Total previously reported,	58,029.15
Total for the year,	$58,848.91

CONFERENCE BUDGET DESIGNATED

Indiana—$5.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: Four Mile,	$ 5.00
Iowa—$6.33	
So. Dist., Cong.: Libertyville,	6.33
Kansas—$3.00	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Orpha Loshbaugh (Hollow),	3.00
Michigan—$6.00	
S. S.: Wise (Shepherd),	6.00
Pennsylvania—$29.92	
E. Dist., Cong.: Maiden Creek,	29.92
Total for the month,	$ 50.25
Total previously reported,	95.98
Total for the year,	$ 146.23

CHURCH EXTENSION FUND

Ohio—$100.00	
So. Dist., Indv.: Lucinda Ann Hixson,	$ 100.00
Total for the month,	$ 100.00
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 100.00

MARCH WORLD SERVICE 1927-28

Pennsylvania—$100.00	
W. Dist., Cong.: John Jacoby & Wife (Plum Creek),	$ 100.00
Total for the month,	$ 100.00
Total previously reported,	1,385.00
Total for the year,	$ 1,485.00

MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$892.51	
No. Dist., Lindsay Cong. for Dr. Ida Metzger,	$ 250.00
So. Dist., La Verne Cong. for L. A. Blickenstaff and E. D. Vaniman and wives, $107.51; Isaiah Brenaman (La Verne) for John I. Kaylor, $250; Sunday Schools for Clarence C. Heckman, $285,	642.51
Colorado—$273.90	
E. Dist., S. G. Nickey (Colorado Springs) for Dr. Barbara Nickey,	273.90
Idaho—$261.85	
Congs. of Idaho and W. Mont. for Dr. D. L. Horning, $123.46, for Anetta C. Mow, $138.39,	261.85
Illinois—$1,102.28	
No. Dist., First Chicago S. S. for Floyd E. Mallott, $450; Franklin Grove Cong. for Bertha Butterbaugh, $28.67; Mt. Morris S. S. for Sadie J. Miller, $188.61; Franklin Grove Aid Soc. for Bertha Butterbaugh, $50,	677.28
So. Dist., Virden S. S. for Dr. Laura M. Cottrell, $125; Individuals and S. S.'s of Okaw, for J. E. Wagoner, $300,	425.00
Indiana—$252.15	
No. Dist., Oak Grove S. S. for Mary Schaeffer and Marguerite Burke, $17.25; B. Y. P. D.'s for Clara Harper Budget, $121,	138.25
So. Dist., Rossville Cong. for Minerva Metzger, $100; Junior Class Buck Creek S. S.: for Nettie B. Summer, $13.90,	113.90
Iowa—$125.00	
Mid. Dist., Panther Creek S. S. for Olivia D. Ikenberry,	125.00
Kansas—$15.00	
S. E. Dist., J. L. Mohler (Mont Ida) for Emma H. Eby, $5; Mont Ida Aid Soc. for Emma H. Eby, $10,	15.00
Maryland—$100.00	
Mid. Dist., Hagerstown Cong. for Harlan J. Brooks and wife,	100.00
Ohio—$453.86	
N. E. Dist., Hartville Cong. for Anna Brumbaugh, $50; Owl Creek Cong. for Lola Helser, $26.44; Olivet Aid Soc. for Esther Mae Helser, $79.76,	156.20
N. W. Dist., Eden S. S. for Hattie Z. Alley, $22.65; Pleasant View S. S. for Ellen H. Wagoner, $275,	297.66
Pennsylvania—$1,139.10	
E. Dist., Indian Creek Cong. for Sara Shisler,	300.00
Mid. Dist., Albright Cong. & S. S. for Olivia D. Ikenberry, $20; Carson Valley Cong. for A. G. Butterbaugh, $85,	105.00
S. E. Dist., Coventry Cong. for H. Stover Kulp,	100.00
W. Dist., Scalp Level Cong. for Dr. H. L. Burke, $600; Tire Hill (Quemahoning) Aid Soc. for Esther Beahm, $34.10,	634.10
Virginia—$738.03	
1st Dist., Cloverdale S. S. for Rebecca C. Wampler,	25.00
Sec. Dist., Barren Ridge Cong. for Nora Flory, $100; Bridgewater Cong. for Ella Flohr, $198; Elk Run Cong. for Sara Z. Myers, $26.48; Lebanon Cong. for Chalmer Shull, $148.55; Middle River Cong. for B. M. Flory, $155; Pleasant Valley Cong. for Edna R. Flory, $70,	698.03
So. Dist., Montevista (Bethlehem) S. S. for Rebecca C. Wampler, $10; for Elsie N. Shickel, $5,	15.00
West Virginia—$53.65	
1st Dist., Eglon Cong. for Anna B. Mow,	53.65
Total for the month,	$ 5,447.32
Total previously reported,	35,203.89
	$40,651.21
Correction No. 22,	92.01
Total for the year,	$40,743.22

AN ADVENTUROUS TASK

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is a formal system and what is Christ or Christlike. The church's history is stained with blood, for a number of religious wars were waged by Christians, which is a blotch upon her record. And in the church life of our own day are there not many things we call Christian which are not in harmony with the spirit of Jesus? Can you think of situations that should be made more Christlike? Is it Christlike to sanction, support or take active part in war? or to lynch Negroes? or to strive against another church in your community?

We usually think of the terms Christian and Christianity as having the same meaning, but Orientals do not. They make a distinction between organized and institutionalized Christianity and Christ. Christ they see as a great or as the greatest Personality of history; a marvelous, attractive perfect Character, whose life was above reproach. The leaders know his teaching, so they know what is Christian. Oftentimes they fail to take into account the weakness of human nature. But they are striking the heart of the problem when they say, as one Hindu lecturer said to the Christians in his audience, "If you Christians would live like Jesus Christ, India would be at your feet tomorrow." The crying need is Christ and Christlike lives. He "included all classes and conditions of men within the circle of his sympathies and fellowship." Is the average church in the community doing that today? Do the rich and the poor, the employers and the employees, the black, the white and the yellow meet together before the Lord, the Maker of them all?

Would it not do us good to make a careful study to see wherein we could make our lives and our churches more in harmony with the spirit of Christ? So, then, ours is **an adventurous task,** for we want to make all of life—life in all of its relationships—Christian, and give to the peoples of non-Christian lands the best we have, Christ himself. And the important thing is that they receive **him,** the Light, the Truth and the Way, and should not be expected to take all the outer forms of Christianity from the West. And we must not slacken our efforts nor lessen our support because the West is steadily pouring its worst elements into these non-Christian lands, and exploiting their natural and human resources. We are duty and honor bound to send to them the counteracting influences of the Gospel, which gives hope and life, to give to them Christ and his God, Father of all peoples.

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SHARING CHRIST WITH INDIA

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weekly Sunday worship, provision may be made for the young people's missionary offering. Since this money helps the local church raise its missionary money this system would be a distinct help to the congregation. Special coin envelopes may be used, so the treasurer can keep the project money separate. The General Mission Board will furnish such coin envelopes free for this purpose.

Who Should Engage in This Project?

All young people. Another project, the medical work in India, is proposed for the children. Young married people and adults may join in this effort. However, the Share Plan of Support is recommended for them. A leaflet will be sent free by the General Mission Board.

How to Use the Poster

The poster, "Evangelism in India," is arranged so the progress of payments may be made in a visual way. If a goal is set for the year it may be divided into the amounts to be paid each month. These monthly goals can be recorded on the poster, and as soon as they are met the word PAID can be written across the space.

Where to Get the Money

The teaching of the Christian Gospel to all men is by divine order, and this missionary project has a just claim on a portion of whatever money we may have or be spending. Many young people will tithe or set aside some definite portion of their earnings. This is the best method. Some will deny themselves personal pleasures.

Young people in rural churches may set out a field of grain. Several young men on an appointed day may prepare the ground for a field of corn. Working together they could plant and cultivate. The harvesting of the golden ears could easily be an enjoyable social event for boys and girls and the crop would bring financial profit.

Candy making, food sales, raising live stock, working definite days for the project, and doing odd jobs may furnish money for this task.

Sending in the Money

The money should be sent to General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill. Designate it for the B. Y. P. D. Fund, 1928. Send it monthly or as frequently as seems best. Do not hold money until the end of the year. It should be sent on its way to do service in India. Besides, we want to send out good reports from your department.

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AMERICA

Church of the Brethren Industrial School, Geer, Va.

Bollinger, Amsey and Florence, 1922
Finckh, Elsie, 1925
Hersch, Orville and Mabel, 1925
Kline, Alvin, 1926
Wampler, Nelie, 1922

Dayton, Va.

Early, H. C., and Emma, 1925

In Pastoral Service

Bowman, Price and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
Eby, E. H., and Emma, 3503 St. Joseph Ave., St. Joseph, Mo., 1927
Fahnestock, Rev. and Mrs. S. G., 1059 Michigan Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
Haney, R. A. and Irva, Lonaconing, Md., 1925
Horner, W. J. and Hazel, 3122 Ellis Ave., Fort worth, Texas, 1920
Rohrer, Ferdie and Pearl, Jefferson, N. C., 1927
Royer, Naomi, 1059 Michigan Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
Showalter, R. K. and Florence, Rose Pine, La., 1926
White, Ralph and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923

In Evangelistic Service

Smith, Rev. and Mrs. S. Z., Sidney, Ohio

SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö, Sweden

Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

Liao Chow, Shansi, China

Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
Senger, Nettie M., 1916
Shock, Laura J., 1916

Peking, China
% No. China Language School

Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921, and Lulu, 1919

Ping Ting Chow, Shansi, China

Crumpacker, F. H., 1908
Flory, Edna R., 1917
Metzger, Minerva, 1910
Schaeffer, Mary, 1917

Show Yang, Shansi, China

Neher, Minneva J., 1924
Ulery, Ruth F., 1926

T'ung Chow, Chihli, China

Flory, Byron M., and Nora, 1917
Heisey, Walter J., and Sue, 1917
Oberholtzer, I. E., and Elizabeth, 1916
Seese, Norman A., and Anna, 1917

On Furlough

Baker, Elizabeth, 426 E. 51st St., Chicago, Ill.
Bright, J. Homer and Minnie, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1911
Ikenberry, E. L. and Olivia, 3343 Whitney Ave., Mt. Carmel, Conn., 1922
Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, 1031½ W. 34th St., Los Angeles, Calif., 1924
Clapper, V. Grace, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1917
Cline, Mary E., Seth Low Hall, 106 Morningside Drive, New York City, 1920
Flory, Raymond, and Lizzie, R. 4, Grants Pass, Ore., 1914
Crumpacker, Anna, McPherson, Kans., 1908
Horning, Dr. D. L., and Martha, 1136 Michigan Ave., Topeka, Kans., 1919
Horning, Emma, 400 So. Homan Ave., Chicago, Ill., 1908
Hutchison, Anna, Easton, Md., 1911
Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater. Va., 1919
Smith, W. Harlan and Frances, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1920
Sollenberger, O. C., and Hazel, % J. W. Coppock, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, 1919
Vaniman. Ernest D.. and Susie, La Verne, Calif., 1913
Wampler, Dr. Fred J., and Rebecca, Accomac, Va., 1913

AFRICA

Garkida, Nigeria, West African, via Jos

Flohr, Earl W., and Ella, 1926
Gibbel, Dr. J. Paul, and Verda, 1926
Harper, Clara, 1926
Helser, Albert D., 1922, and Lola, 1923
Robertson, Dr. Russell L., and Bertha C., 1927
Shisler, Sara, 1926

Dille, via Jos and Maiduguri, Nigeria, West Africa

Burke, Dr. Homer L., and Marguerite, 1923
Kulp, H. Stover, 1922, and Christina, 1927

On Furlough

Mallott, Floyd, and Ruth, No. Manchester, Ind., 1924
Heckman, Clarence C., and Lucile, Polo, Ill., 1924
Beahm, Wm. M., and Esther, 5800 Maryland Ave., Chicago, Ill.

INDIA

Ahwa, Dangs, India

Butterbaugh, A. G., and Bertha, 1919
Garner, H. P., and Kathryn, 1916

Anklesvar, Broach Dist., India

Grisso, Lillian, 1917
Long, I. S., and Effie, 1903
Moomaw, I. W., and Mabel, 1923
Shickel, Elsie, 1921
Stoner, Susan L., 1927
Woods, Beulah, 1924

Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

Blickenstaff, Lynn A., and Mary, 1920
Blickenstaff, Verna M., 1919
Cottrell, Dr. A. R., and Laura, 1913
Mohler, Jennie, 1916
Shumaker, Ida C., 1910

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

Ebbert, Ella, 1917
Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
Nickey, Dr. Barbara M., 1915
Roop, Ethel, 1926
Royer, B. Mary, 1913
Wolf, L. Mae, 1922

Jalalpor, Surat Dist., India

Miller, Eliza B., 1900

Vada, Thana Dist., India

Brumbaugh, Anna B., 1919
Kaylor, John I., 1911 and Ina, 1921
Swartz, Goldie E., 1916

Palghar, Thana Dist., India

Alley, Howard L., and Hattie, 1917

Post Umalla, via Anklesvar, India

Lichty, D. J., 1902, and Anna, 1912
Miller, Arthur S. B., and Jennie, 1919
Widdowson, Olive, 1912
Ziegler, Kathryn. 1908

Vyara, via Surat Dist., India

Blough, J. M., and Anna, 1903
Brooks, Harlan J., and Ruth, 1924
Mow, Anetta, 1917

Burjor Bag, Lunsikui, Navsare, India

Mow, Baxter M., and Anna, 1923

On Furlough

Ebey, Adam. and Alice, North Manchester, Ind., 1900
Hollenberg, Fred M., and Nora, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Kintner, Elizabeth, Ney, Ohio, 1919
Miller, Sadie J., R. F. D., Waterloo, Iowa, 1903
Shull, Chalmer and Mary, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Summer, B. F., and Nettie, 3435 W. Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Wagoner, J. E., and Ellen, North Manchester, Ind., 1919

Please Notice.—Postage on letters to our missionaries is 5c for each ounce or fraction thereof and 3c for each additional ounce or fraction.

Brother "C"

In May, 1925, we told about Brother "A"; how he had just died and his annuity bonds became cancelled whereby the total of $40,000.00 became available for the Board's work. That was the highest sum thus far received from one person on the Annuity Plan.

In January, 1925, the Board's Treasurer met Brother "C" on a train going to the World's Missionary Conference in Washington, D. C. It was a most pleasant interview—our Brother "C" revealed his business sagacity by asking questions about the Board's handling of annuity finances and to ascertain what assurances there were as to safety and the exercise of sound business discretion. A year passed after which this brother invested in his first annuity bond of the Board. Six months passed and he increased another $10,000.00. Another six months passed and another $10,000.00. Very recently and quite unexpectedly came $20,000.00 more, making a grand total of $50,000.00.

Brother "C" has made a record that will challenge any to excel who are able to do so. Be it remembered, however, that whatever the amount from $50.00 up we give the same careful attention to all alike. We shall be glad to tell you more about our Annuity Plan. **Use the coupon below now.**

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How Volunteers Face Today's Problems

THE United Student Volunteers usually have a business meeting at Annual Conference in June, at which time they discuss problems, work out plans, and reorganize for the coming year. Since Conference this year is to be in the far West, and most of the colleges expected to be well represented at the Tenth Quadrennial Convention of the Student Volunteer Movement in Detroit, Dec. 28 to Jan. 1, they decided to have their business meeting at that time and place. About forty persons, mostly students, but including faculty members, missionaries, and board secretaries, were there. The president, Edward K. Ziegler, of Bridgewater College, presided.

After a period of devotion, the traveling secretary, Bro. Harlan Smith, presented an illuminating report of his trip to the colleges, that gave rise to some earnest, thoughtful discussions. Some of his findings are that the Volunteer groups in the various colleges seem to lack definite, clear-cut objectives; that they are not quite sure of their place on the campuses; that they want to be linked up more closely with the General Mission Board secretaries; and, perhaps most important of all, that nearly ten per cent of our college students are Volunteers, eager to serve, but not just sure where the church is going to need them, or whether the church will want them. In the discussion following Secretary Smith's report, it became clear that the Volunteers are doing many splendid types of work, but that there is a question about the adequacy of the organization for present needs. Perhaps a new organization is needed to do the work they have been doing. Or perhaps we need merely to reinterpret our aims, and to formulate more challenging objectives. Has the need for the Volunteer Movement in our church passed? Can its work be done just as well by other organizations, such as the B. Y. P. D., or the Y organizations? The movement has served worthily and acceptably in the past; has it become obsolescent? What is the place of the Volunteers in the church today, in the college region, on the campus? These problems were discussed fearlessly and with frank optimism. Most of the delegates thought that it is not so much a change of name and organization that we need as a reinterpretation of aims and a clarification of objectives.

In order to have a scientific basis for such a study, the Volunteers decided that the traveling secretary for next year should make a careful study of the movement, and, with the aid of a representative of the Mission Board, study the work and place of each local group, with a view of making a report and recommendations to the meeting of the Volunteers in 1929. Representatives of each college group gave a report of their activities and ideals for the present year. The gist of these reports may be found elsewhere in this issue of the Visitor. To save expenses of traveling for the next year, the number of student officers was temporarily reduced to two, who are to share the duties of the officers. The president is to do the work of the traveling secretary, while the secretary will edit Volunteer Talk, plan for deputation work, and have charge of the educational work. Because of the complexity of our present problems, the new officers were chosen from the present cabinet. Edward Ziegler, of Bridgewater, was reëlected president, and Miss Bernice Bolinger, this year's efficient vice-president, was elected secretary.

It is quite evident that the Volunteers are seriously and earnestly facing the problems of readjustment, which seems to be necessary in our mission program. They are eager to serve, passionately in earnest with the work of the kingdom, willing to sacrifice, and are courageously grappling with the problems of their own organization and of the church. They are discovering that the task is far from being done; that there are vast areas, geographical and social, where Christ is not yet known; that there are depths in his love and in his plans, and in sharing his work, that we have scarcely fathomed. And is it not really inevitable that, as we discover more of the real meaning of his "abiding in us," we, Volunteers and the church at large, will reconsecrate ourselves to the task of sharing him, of lifting him up? "And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me!"

Edward Ziegler.

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THE CONFERENCE OFFERING

May is the month for the time-honored Conference offering. It is the occasion when many churches take steps to insure raising their portion of the Conference Budget. This year May 6 to 13 has been set as the time when every member should be seen and the claims of the church presented. An offering on Sunday at the church only partially reaches the ideal. Seldom if ever are all the members present. In the Sunday service there is not the freedom to ask and answer questions. Some people need a personal presentation and solicitation more than can be accomplished in a group. For these reasons plans are prepared by which solicitors should call on every member and secure his response.

Many churches have never had such an every-member canvass, but have counted on raising their money by offerings. Much good has been done by this method, but always the person absent from church is missed. He ought to do his share, and will be a better church member by so doing. By the every-member-canvass method the churches can report to Elgin the amount to be reasonably expected during the year, and then the church board can build its plans on this basis.

Such a system would go a long way toward eliminating deficits. The boards would then know how much to expect and would work accordingly. Under the present system the Conference approves a church budget, but cannot promise that the churches will raise the amount. The boards may work entirely within the limits set by the Conference, but not knowing what the churches will do may have a heavy deficit at the end of the year. The situation is comparable to a county launching a heavy road-building program without first having assurance that the necessary funds will be paid for its completion.

The plan of every church seriously facing its duty toward the general work of the church has been worked out with great thoroughness. It may need to be altered in minor details to suit local conditions. But we cannot go on in a slipshod way and expect success in our general church work. More than half of the congregations fail to support the church as they ought. Serious retrenchments in missions will have an adverse effect on the whole church. Now is the time to renew our hearts with the Spirit of Christ and May is the date to find out how well we intend to support our general church work.

The Missionary of the Future

CHARLES D. BONSACK
Secretary of the General Mission Board

CHANGES in Christian missions is a subject much discussed. Questions are being asked about the future missionary, his preparation, his work, and if he will be actually needed. These questions are quite natural and must be faced. They grow out of the very progress of the work. Strong Christian leaders are developing in these mission lands—those who understand their people and customs better than we. We are discovering things in our church life of the West that are sometimes challenged by the Christian minds of the East, and embarrassments often arise over the commercial aggression and unwise actions of our Western business interests and governments. Of course these things create problems and questions. Nothing that means so much as the evangelization of the world could be expected to be either easy or cheap.

Centuries have been spent on some scientific discoveries. Billions of dollars have been invested in creating our largest commercial enterprises. Dozens of experts are employed by these enterprises to study carefully their products, survey markets, and improve their organizations for greater service. Many mistakes are made, but these are corrected and used as stepping stones forward. We must put this same zeal and spirit into our mission work. Jesus said, "Tarry for power," and those who give themselves in earnest prayer and thought to this greatest of all tasks given to men, will find the way to meet these questions and contribute greatly to the kingdom of God among men.

The Need of Mission Work in the Future

It is evident that the world is becoming more and more interrelated. With the impact of nations in their commercial aggression, more and more there must be those who represent the God of all nations to see that goodwill, righteousness, and truth are taught and exemplified. If sin and wrong continue to exploit these nations with dangerous political propaganda, the evil of obscene and perilous films, the unprincipled brewery and tobacco interests, then we must not fail in the only hope and cure for such corrupting agencies. As long as newspapers are used to broadcast prejudice, we must also broadcast goodwill and hope.

In the second place, those Christian leaders in mission lands are our friends, and the children of our faith. We must stand by them. They need our friendship and sympathetic help. They will be opposed and criticized. They are yet so few amid the millions that if we would preserve the work of those who gave their lives to make the beginning, we must not retreat now.

Moreover, we are helped by what we learn in this world-wide evangelism. It was so in the apostolic church, even as now. The church at Jerusalem found out what the vital things in Christianity were as they faced the gentile world. We shall miss our deepest experience of the power of Christianity for the church at home if we fail to propagate our faith. Love and truth must be shared if we shall keep them. Light is extinguished under a bushel.

World-wide evangelism is an attitude more than a program. Every generation must be challenged afresh to its call and opportunity. The love of courting days will not answer for the years of married life. Christianity is a perennial flower that maintains brotherhood as well as creates it. To give the nations of the world some Bibles and the ecclesiastical machinery of our religion is not enough. We must share the life of Christ with them continually. We have made only a formal acquaintance with the nations to which Christ bade us go. Now we must share an abiding friendship in Christ.

The Kind of Missionaries Needed

Likely the kind of missionaries needed now is the kind that always was needed, only conditions make this kind more imperative. As the work advances, physical hardships become mental, social, and spiritual trials that require great personal fitness and grace divine. The duties become more administrative, but this must be done by putting others into the foreground, and with friendly coöperation. Both the spirit of the East, and their growing knowledge of Christ's teaching, prohibit any spirit of authoritative domination. It requires the spirit of a trained student, that we may both learn from their thought-life and customs, as well as to find ways and means of adaptation and solution of the many problems daily, and yet be true to the Lord whom we serve.

Some one has given this definition of a successful missionary: "One who is sound in body, with a normal nervous system, a clear, resourceful mind trained in the best schools, a friendly personality with a genius for unselfish coöperation, a developed spiritual life, and the experience that Jesus Christ alone is the Savior of men."

The Missionary as a Man or Woman

The missionary should have good health. It helps both mental and spiritual endurance and efficiency. A sense of humor, seasoned with grace, is indispensable. The outstanding characteristic of the most successful missionaries we have met is their ability to make friends and coöperate with others without talking much about it. Christianity spreads more by radiance and winsomeness than by machinery and overanxiety. Common sense, which means those graces of character and life not denied to the masses, rather than that they are always found in us, is most important. These include good judgment, open-mindedness, originality, executive ability, enthusiasm, resourcefulness, etc. All of these are increased in value by training, but academic training is no assurance of them. Above all, the missionary must have a Christian experience and a satisfactory definition and exemplification of Christianity to clarify much erroneous feeling and confusion as to what it really is.

The Training Needed

We cannot know too much, but **it is better to not know so much than to know so much that isn't true.** We need the training that makes us students that we may ever learn, the kind that makes nature and human life a constant laboratory for further intelligence and service, the kind that sends us forth to serve. We need the best that our colleges afford, plus an intelligent dynamic Christian message that sends us out in happy and wise evangelism, whether by the route of medicine, nursing, teaching, economic guidance, or direct evangelism, remembering that occasionally the Lord has used very humble servants in accomplishing very large tasks, but never as a substitute for laziness or ignorance.

The Work That May Seem Most Needed

Likely with the changes that are taking place in the progress of missions it is less a matter of the particular work that we do, and more the kind of a workman and Christian that we are, though this is always proven in the thoroughness, skill, and spirit of our work. With the need for better health and sanitation and the world-wide need of kindness in sickness and trouble, it would seem that the fields of nursing and medicine would give large opportunities for many years. Teachers who can interpret life and Christianity, who may sympathetically evaluate the life of all nations, face with intelligent skill, courage, and sympathy, the high castes of India and leaders in other lands, can serve an increasing need. A few, who can helpfully place on their feet economically some of the multitudes in dire poverty, will render a great service.

We cannot close any list of opportunities in work without paying a high tribute to those ladies who have denied themselves the love and comradeship of home life to serve in these needy fields. Their consecration and absence of home duties make it possible to sacrifice and serve in a large way. These, and the mothers who have builded Christian homes, have both in their different spheres made contributions limitless in influence, and will continue to do so.

The work is not done. The changes are but evidences of progress challenging us to further help. Both at home and abroad we must make new attacks upon the smug complacency that so easily stagnates our faith. As the peoples of the world come into closer contact with each other, the task demands higher, wider, and deeper vision and preparation. An old adage says that "misery loves company." God forbid that misery and sin, selfishness and hate, should exceed the children of God in making friends for Christ and truth among the nations of the world!

Echoes and Reflections From Detroit

LORELL WEISS

Lorell Weiss is a volunteer and a minister, in college at La Verne, Calif. He represented his college at Detroit, when he also won first prize in the peace oratorical contest fostered by the General Welfare Board. He is planning to go to Europe this summer to the world Youth Peace Congress.

THE Quadrennial Student Volunteer Convention at Detroit was characterized by much questioning of the value of existing institutions. Widely diverse views were expressed, and there was little in the whole Christian program that was not subjected to critical scrutiny.

American foreign policies received severe criticism. Referring to present-day nationalism, Reinhold Niebuhr said, "We have only raised tribalism to the nth degree." A student leader from Iowa said, "The world is afraid of us, and fear leads to hate." Social conditions within America also received their share of condemnation.

But the brighter side was touched occasionally, as when Sterling Takeuchi, a Japanese, suggested that the soul of America was to be found by living among Americans, rather than by spending a few days in San Francisco, Chicago, or New York, or by reading the headlines of the daily press.

The political and social evils of the mission countries received much less attention, though a few speakers pointed out that these regions also had grave need of great reforms as yet. Robert E. Speer insisted that China herself was responsible for the incomparably vicious labor conditions there. Most of the foreign delegates, though they condemned most severely the nationalism of the West, proved quite intensely nationalistic themselves. The radical young African, Akintunde Dipeolu, declared that "Christianity is one of the most radical religions in the world; and once it is accepted by the Africans, they will no longer submit to the assumption of Nordic supremacy."

The religion of America likewise received much very unfavorable comment. Using E. Stanley Jones' figure of the Christ of the Indian road, Appadurai Aaron of India said, "Woe to the world if there be a Christ of the American road, for such a Christ would appear in the guise of a millionaire riding in a costly automobile." After speaking of the Negro race problem in the United States, Dipeolu said, "We challenge you to outdistance us in practically applying the principles of Christ."

Americans were no less free in their criticism. One of Niebuhr's terse statements was, "At home you are a part of a religion that doesn't change anything, but sanctifies everything as it is." Margaret Crutchfield told how she faced the problem of helping a group of unpopular girls in her college dormitory. "All the preachers who preached that year and all the Christian association meetings never gave me a hint on helping people," she said.

On the future of missions there were widely varying points of view. Some few were disposed to discount the value of Christ's teachings, but the real attitude of the convention was expressed in the conclusion of the Chinese Dr. Wei's address on the meaning of Christ to China. He said, "Christ is love, unspeakable love. Yet, in these last few minutes, like a fool, I have been trying to speak about it."

Many, both Americans and foreigners, felt that the West and the East should cooperate in the furtherance of Christ's teachings, and that the East would likely make some distinctive contributions to the cause. A few Orientals caught at the possibility of Eastern superiority rather too eagerly. Appadurai Aaron said, "We in India have been able to discover Christ better than the West," and later asserted that the Christ of the Indian road was the Christ whom the whole world needed.

Though in general the convention did not at all favor the abandonment of missions, as

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Detroit and the Brethren

TELFORD BLOUGH

Telford Blough graduated from Juniata last year. Always an active religious leader on the campus, he is now alumni secretary for the college.

TO discover the challenge or peculiar message that the Detroit Student Volunteer Convention had for the Church of the Brethren is no small task. It is difficult to reduce to essence the meaning of a legion of addresses, conferences, colloquia, entertainments, teas, prayer groups, and personal contacts. Possibly, unity of purpose and purport was not predominant. There were differences to be viewed differently according to one's perspective. It is a puzzle to me to decide whether the convention was the effect of world conditions or whether it was a pretaste of a cause that will sway the future. It is conceivable that it was cause and effect simultaneously. What impact those five days will have on Christian thought and activity in the next few years is still a matter for conjecture.

However, the convention theme, "Making Christ Known—a Joint Responsibility," contains the germ of the missionary discussion. Christians the world over must join in a fellowship of Christian experience. Nor can the Church of the Brethren or any church or any religion successfully maintain that it holds a monopoly on all truth. Truth is hidden in unexpected places. Nor can we declare that only those within our own denominational fold shall inherit eternal life. We can learn from religions other than Christianity, but we dare not lose sight of the Christ. Above all differences he stands divine, the Son of God and of Man, the truth, the way and the life. Other religions have truths, dissensions, rites, and conventions, but not the Christ. He is our message. He comes not to destroy but to fulfill. He is the approach to God, the Father of all mankind.

This conception requires that all Christians be living epistles. The conduct of one lay-

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man can ruin the work of a dozen missionaries. So the challenge that comes to the Church of the Brethren is not primarily for more missionaries or more funds, but for better Christians who are willing to practice every day what they preach every Sunday. It is then inevitable that missionaries and funds will be forthcoming. Both are needed.

But the deepest impression of the convention grieved me as much as it pleased me. I found that the leading Christian thinkers of today are swinging whole-heartedly towards the tenets of the Church of the Brethren. (Or are they coming to recognize all of the New Testament?) This new friendliness pleased me, but it grieved me to discover that the Church of the Brethren relinquishes her place of rightful leadership with hardly a murmur. We have been zealous guards, but we are poor disseminators. The problem of sharing what we have with those who are still groping is a distinct challenge to the Church of the Brethren. As in the past, the Bible should remain her only creed. This avoids dissension. However, interpretations have caused us at times to assume almost antagonistic relations to other denominations. We must coöperate. At least, we dare not be militant or we are not Christian. Evil must be overcome with good. Christ said that if one would find his life he must lose it. If the Church of the Brethren would find her life, she will have to lose it. We must emphasize Christ above denomination. Can we do this without compromise? I think we can if our faith is great enough. It is a challenge.

The Church of the Brethren has been persecuted for her opposition to all war. Her practice of nonresistance has been ridiculed, but today Christian statesmen declare that no war is righteous. Nonresistance is proclaimed to be the fundamental move to end war. Kirby Page says, "There are tens of thousands of Christian ministers and laymen who would sooner go to jail than participate in another war." He says further, "Five per cent of the ministers and laymen, if sufficiently intelligent and courageous, could swing the churches against war. My own conviction is that it can be done. . . . Only it will require clear thinking and heroic action." Will the Church of the Brethren answer this challenge, or will she rest nonchalantly with her doctrine of peace hid in a napkin?

The Church of the Brethren has always stood for temperance, simplicity, humility and purity **in all things.** These are largely matters of conduct. But nevertheless they are not matters for compromise. Today the challenge begs for true disciples of these Christian ideals. The Church of the Brethren has always held these doctrines, but unfortunately they have often degenerated into mere forms of sectional or individual eccentricities. The spirit of the doctrines was rendered an empty husk. Shall we not vitalize these ideals? Dare we be lavish when money is needed to take Christ to our brethren? Dare we be intemperate, impure, and proud when the world needs our example of Christian life? These questions challenge the sincerity of our belief in the doctrines of our church.

Huntingdon, Pa.

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ECHOES AND REFLECTIONS FROM DETROIT

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some advocated, it was almost unanimously agreed that the mission program of the future must change its outlook, its attitude, and its methods. Sherwood Eddy said, "I believe in foreign missions, for they are the stark need of the world today," but he urged that we should go teachable, eager to learn, welcoming the wisdom of the East. Mildred Welch pointed out that we could no longer make Christ known through our prestige in the Orient, but that we must go to them in sincerity. Hashim Hussein, a Mohammedan, said, "No man or woman ought to leave this country until he is born anew."

Amid all these varying views and opinions there was voiced, especially by the more mature spirits of the convention, a strong and abiding conviction that Jesus Christ is the Hope of the world; that a mission program in his name has a limitless future; that this program must not be localized any longer; that it must transcend all barriers of race and group; that it must be the mutual enterprise of all Christians everywhere fighting all evil everywhere, and that it must not be afraid to speak out clearly on political, social, and economic problems, even though they be international in their scope.

The Volunteer Groups at Work

JUNIATA COLLEGE

Huntingdon, Pa.

JUNIATA Volunteers report a steady growth in membership and interest on the part of the student body. Rev. Statler, pastor of the Stone church, who has been a source of great inspiration and help to all of us, best expressed this interest in these words: " There is a warmth of feeling on the part of the student body for the Volunteers and their program that was not here before." Our devotional meetings, which are held on Monday and Thursday evenings of each week, have an average attendance of about seventy. Not more than half of these are signed Volunteers, but many others come in and worship with us.

Our foreign Volunteers meet each Saturday evening in the home of Bro. J. M. Pittenger, in the missionary residence. Our group of foreign Volunteers has increased from two members to eight members. Miss Florence Glover, daughter of Dr. R. Glover, and Miss Ruth Prentice, have come to us from Wheaton College, bringing much spiritual enthusiasm into our group.

Our deputation teams, which form a link between the college, missions, and the churches, have gone into several churches where the Volunteers have not gone before. Our teams visited twenty-seven churches during the first semester. They have a full schedule—from 40 to 45 churches—for the present semester. Everywhere the work has been accepted heartily by the churches. Rev. Lewis Knepper, the college field secretary, has been assisting in deputation work. The Philadelphia trip, which was led by Rev. Knepper, was a great inspiration and help to those who went, as we hope it was to the people of Philadelphia.

At the present time several new prayer groups are being started in both the girls' dormitories and in the men's dormitories. The development of these groups is yet to be seen; but there seems to be a very favorable atmosphere for their growth. We feel that " through Christ " much good can be done for Juniata students.

L. Grace Barkman.

McPHERSON COLLEGE

McPherson, Kansas

LAST year interest seemed to die out of the Student Volunteer work on the campus here at McPherson. There were also only a few student ministers left, and their work as an association became somewhat lifeless. Each organization was left in the hands of one person. Last fall these two persons, with a faculty committee and Dr. Schwalm, our new president, went to work with a vigor to work out something that would replace the Student Volunteers and the Ministerial Association as organizations, although continuing the work they had been trying to do; something that would stimulate the interest of the students and take a really vital place in promoting spiritual life on the campus. This group worked quietly but diligently, studying the problems and trying to arrive at a solution. In the meantime they fostered two mission study classes, one of which studied Cavert's " The Work of the Church," under the direction of Dr. J. J. Yoder, while the other was led in a study of China by Sister Anna Crumpacker, who has served two terms as a missionary in China, and whose husband is there now. These classes were well attended and appreciated.

Finally, along in November, there was a meeting called for all those who were interested in a " World Service Group " which might be organized. Some talking had been done concerning it, so that some of us knew about what to expect and went eagerly to the meeting. Plans were discussed and officers elected. About a week later Bro. Harlan Smith was here and spoke to the group and talked over the problems with the executive committee. Several more meetings followed, a committee being appointed to prepare a constitution. This was soon presented and discussed at length. Then came the Detroit convention of the Student Volunteer Movement and several of our members were permitted to attend. Soon after they returned from the convention our organization was completed and the constitution adopted. We are now meeting every two weeks for helpful programs, fur-

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nished largely by student members of the group. Aside from these biweekly meetings, we are planning to foster study classes in the spring similar to those which met in the fall. The series, "Christian Voices Around the World," will probably be studied. We recently put on the drive for evangelism in India and raised a goodly sum, although we wish that it might have been more. The interest in the group has been quite good, and we are expecting that this interest will become larger and larger as our work manifests itself to the student body. We expect quietly to exert an influence on the campus that will stimulate interest in spiritual things from an individual and from a world-wide point of view.

Our aim is to promote Christian thinking and acting on the campus, stimulate an interest in the distinctive Christian vocations, as well as a determination to make Christ first in all vocations, and to promote the kingdom of Christ throughout the world, attempting to think and act in world terms, as our Lord, the Lord of all men, would have us do. In short, it is our purpose to make the will of God effective in the lives of ourselves and all men everywhere.

Lawrence E. Lehman.

MT. MORRIS COLLEGE

Mt. Morris, Illinois

THIS year the Student Volunteer Group of Mt. Morris College has tried to help those who have not decided upon their life work and to give to them a vision of the whole world and its needs. We emphasize the "Jesus way of living" as the only way to service and happiness.

It is said, "As we live in college, we will live out of college," and we have tried to realize the importance of service to others, while here.

In our bimonthly programs this year we made a study of the **needs** in the higher religious types of service and discussed "Jesus and my life work." One talk given showed us the importance of personal work. A number of talks were given concerning the work of those who were in definite Christian service last summer.

Before Christmas we studied the "Rainbow or International Series" as a preparation for the Quadrennial Conference held at Detroit. Prof. Miller and four of the students attended this conference and have been giving reports and leading discussions in the Volunteer programs.

Bridgewater Student Volunteers

In order that we might get in touch with those students interested in doing Christian service, we had the freshmen fill out questionnaires at the beginning of the school year. Fifty per cent of the new students did not express themselves as being interested in Christian service; one was interested in foreign missions and has definitely decided to become a foreign missionary. This was a challenge to us, and we have tried to present our purpose and create an interest in our great work.

A deputation team composed of Merle Hawbecker, Lyle Wheeler, Paul Weaver, Russel Weller, and Prof. Stover represented our group in the churches of Southern Illinois during Thanksgiving vacation. We want to send a girls' deputation team out this spring.

We have a personal workers' prayer group which meets every Wednesday evening. It is the purpose of this group to pray for those students and talk personally to those students who are not Christians and those who seem indifferent in their relation to God.

We feel that the Volunteer Group fills a specific place on our campus, and that it is helping us reach the victorious life.

BRIDGEWATER COLLEGE

Bridgewater, Virginia

WE have in our group at Bridgewater this year about thirty students, most of whom are planning for home work. However, we are proud that we have three who are planning definitely for the foreign field.

The Volunteers at Bridgewater College take a great deal of interest in deputation work. We lead the State in this line of endeavor. We have already given thirty-five programs this year and we hope to give about twenty-five more, making a total of about sixty programs. It was decided that we would have our meetings here on the campus only bimonthly this spring, since there are so many religious organizations on our campus. In these meetings we have several types of programs. We take up the things that we think will help us most in meeting the problems of life and make us more consecrated for the work of the Master.

We have in the Volunteer group some of the outstanding students and leaders of the college. Edward Ziegler, who is president of our local group, is also president of the United Student Volunteers for this year and traveling secretary for the coming year. It was through the work of our Volunteers that we were able to have the State Student Volunteer Convention at our college this year. It proved to be a source of inspiration and a great help to all of us.

Raymond Peters.

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LA VERNE COLLEGE

La Verne, California

THE La Verne College group consists of about twenty-two full-fledged members, the majority of whom are planning for definite home service. In addition to these members, there is quite a number of students who are interested in the movement. The meetings, which are held every Wednesday night, are used mainly for the discussion of problems of interest. One of the studies which are being followed is Cavert's book, "The Adventure of the Church." These discussion gatherings are open to the entire student body.

Besides individual work, the group is interested in practical work among the Mexican people, and has organized prayer bands to conduct services in some of their homes.

During the Bible Institute session, a beautiful and inspiring pageant, "The Call of the Church," taken from the International Journal of Religious Education, was produced under the auspices of the student Volunteers.

The deputation team this year consists of Mary Platt, Anna Emmert, Melvin Rothrock, Joe Davis, George Berg, and Zafon Hartman. They made a trip as far north as Chico, Calif., as far south as San Diego, and as far east as Phoenix, Ariz., giving programs in the different churches. The distance covered was over three thousand miles. Up to this time eighteen missionary programs have been given and three more will have been given by the time this is printed.

The college's one representative to the Quadrennial Conference at Detroit—Lorell Weiss—is a member of the Volunteer Band and the winner of the oratorical contest.

La Verne sent several delegates to the Southern California United Student Volunteer Conference at the University of Southern California. This spring, from April 20 to 22, the conference will be held here at La Verne. The group is eagerly looking forward to this event.

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MANCHESTER COLLEGE

North Manchester, Indiana

A STUDENT organization functioning with the right purpose in view fills a very distinct need on the college campus. One of these needs today is for an organization or organizations to aid in the development of the spiritual life of the student and to promote the principles of Jesus Christ within the student life on the campus.

With such a purpose in view we have tried to promote our organization on our campus at Manchester. With a Religious Activities Committee, composed of faculty members and working in coöperation with the chairmen of the religious organizations and Student Government, many worth-while activities have been introduced on our campus. This group has coöperated in putting on financial campaigns for missionary and other worth-while causes. They have brought many inspirational "big men" to our campus, such as, Dad Eliot, Sherwood Eddy, Dr. C. C. Ellis, Dr. Kurtz, Dr. Sanford, and others. Considerable evangelistic work has been done. Doctors and nurses have been brought to give needed instruction relative to the care of our physical life. Through the coöperative efforts of this group we were able to send a large number of people to the quadrennial convention at Detroit.

Much definite work has been done by the Volunteer organization itself. Twenty-five missionary programs have been given by deputation teams. Home visitation and Thursday morning prayer meetings are both sponsored by the Volunteers.

Our group gave a missionary play, "The Color Line," at our State Student Volunteer Convention at Franklin College. Mention should be made of our meetings, which are held every two weeks. The Foreign Volunteers are meeting for discussion of their particular problems each week that the entire group does not meet.

Gorman Zook.

Bethany Volunteers

BETHANY BIBLE SCHOOL

Chicago

THE primary aim of the Volunteer organization is the making of missionaries. In realizing this objective the appeal is made to those who have not yet chosen their life work, as well as to those who have decided definitely to enter the field of Christian service. First of all there must be presented a vision of the world's needs and in connection with this, there should be created a desire to meet those needs. According to these principles, the Bethany Volunteers have planned their year's program.

Bethany is unusually benefited by having a large number of missionaries living on the campus each year, as well as by having occasional visits from others. There are also some in the student group who have been engaged in home missionary work in mountain or isolated districts and in the various churches. These workers who give of their enthusiasm and first-hand experiences add much in meeting the objective of the group. Programs of an educational and inspirational nature are given bimonthly. One particular feature in showing the need of mission work was the presentation of the play, "The Color Line," at the First Church of the Brethren in Chicago.

As a further manifestation of missionary interest, the students contributed to the fund for the evangelistic work in India. This project was sponsored by the Volunteers. In addition to this, financial aid was given to home missions by contributions made at programs carried out by deputation teams. Twenty-four churches in Iowa and Indiana were visited before Christmas. Other teams will be sent out later to present the needs to other churches.

Financial aid is essential for the propagation of missions, but it is not the only nor the greatest means of promoting growth. Each Tuesday evening the foreign Volunteers meet for a half hour of intercessory prayer. The ministry of prayer functions here in the solving of definite problems, and our missionaries individually and generally are remembered.

The city of Chicago is a world mission field of itself, having almost every type of people and a need for all kinds of religious work. The Volunteers engage in this work and are thus permitted to apply at once many of the principles learned in the classroom as well as doing real bits of service. A majority of the Volunteers look forward to doing full- or part-time Christian work during the summer vacation. Some will become summer pastors and others will engage in D. V. B. S. work. It is well for each Volunteer to do Christian service as much as possible along with his preparation, that the need may be ever before him and that his vision may continually grow.

Ruth Glessner.

Notes From Our Fields

CHINA

Taiyuan

Pastor Li

Most of our members are engaged in Shansi government service, and often are unable to attend church services regularly. Generally speaking, we have more than thirty present at our service every Sunday.

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On account of the present conditions being so bad, the women evangelists have been unable to carry out some of their plans. However, Mrs. Chang and Mrs. Tan visit the families that are interested in Christianity, make friends with them and invite them to Church.

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I am glad to say that Messrs. Chang, Wang, and Tan are doing voluntary work in the boys' night school.

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Liao Chow for the Last Quarter of 1927

Chang Tzu Hsiu

Women's Bible School

There were seven pupils during the past term and the wives of the chief of police and the sheriff are among this number. All passed the examinations well. When the teachers were not busy in school they visited the villages and were welcomed by the village people.

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Men's Evangelistic Department

In November a conference was held for over thirty of those of responsibility in the church. Rev. Crumpacker was the leader. The sessions each day opened at eight A. M. and closed at nine, and at four P. M. and closed at five. This was necessary, as all were busy during the other hours of the day.

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Mr. Crumpacker, the one who opened up the work of the mission, is a well-known and well-eduated man of years and of high standards. He gave his message with dignity, yet at times using humorous illustrations, and his hearers were greatly impressed and pleased by them. The "retreat" was very helpful because God was in our midst.

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Sunday, Nov. 6, Rev. Crumpacker led the morning service. In the evening from four o'clock to seven, the love feast was held. A written invitation, giving order of the meeting, was sent to each church member, inviting him or her to attend the love feast. Rev. Crumpacker officiated at the service of feet-washing and giving of communion. Altogether over eighty communed. I, the writer (Mr. Chang Tzu Hsiu), had never seen the service of feet-washing, but now I have observed this service and received benefit from it, and learned of more of the hidden meaning of our Lord. However, I think it is a difficult service for the Chinese women, who have bound feet.

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From Nov. 7 to the 17th members from Liao-chow, Ho-shun, Yu-she, Ma-tien, Wu-hsiang, altogether seventeen or eighteen, entered a Bible class held in the Liao-chow church. The teachers were from the evangelistic and boys' and girls' schools. At the close of each day's session the class was taken to visit some department of the mission work. The class members expressed themselves as having received much benefit and it was the first they had heard of or seen the mission buildings.

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Two days before Christmas invitations were sent to the county magistrate to each department of the mission, and to the government schools. A poster was pasted on the wall, giving the subject of an afternoon lecture, "Christ's Value to the World," inviting farmers, laborers, merchants, students and soldiers to come. This meeting was held at two o'clock in the afternoon. All those who had received invitations came at the hour set. Songs were rendered by the boys' and girls' schools and the lecture was given by Mr. Tsai Yu. A victrola and a local city orchestra also furnished music and the church was crowded with the visitors.

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The Chin-chow district lacks a shepherd. The work is large but the workers are few. I, the writer (Mr. Chang), because of this lack have asked that the budget for 1929 be increased five hundred dollars, in order to invite an evangelist to care for this work. The request for the increased budget has passed both the Hsieh Li Hui and the Chih Hsing Wei Ban. As yet there has been no one invited to fill this place. However, in the course of two or three years I am sure the work in Chin-chow will be equal to that of Pingting or Liao-chow.

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Medical Department

During the months of September and October it was felt necessary that the doctor from Liao-chow (T. H. Wang) leave his work in the care of the nurses and go to Ping-ting to care for the work there, as Dr. Hsu Wen Ch'i could not return unescorted through the military lines from Peking. Altogether he spent over a month in the Ping-Ting hospital. Mr. Jung Le Ting, graduate nurse, went to Ping-Ting to assist in the nurses' examinations.

Dr. Hsu of Ping-Ting spent a few days visiting and assisting in the hospital. He came in a response to a telegram to bring us tetanus vaccine. (The patient recovered.) Orders for drugs, including much-needed vaccines, have been unable to reach us during the past three months, because of the railroad conditions.

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Christmas was observed in the hospital on Christmas Day by a short program in the evening. "The Prodigal Son" was acted out for the benefit of ambulatory patients and hospital employees. A little treat of candy and nuts and special food was provided for each patient and servant.

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Boys' School

The fifty boys in school this term are full of activity and diligent in their studies.

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Besides the regular routine of the school the students have been greatly interested in the following organizations and classes: Debating Society, Bible class, Y. M. C. A., the Gospel Team work, which goes out on Sunday afternoons, and Self-Government of the school, in which the students look after their own sick, in so far as they are able, special diets added to their regular menu, settling of quarrels among themselves, etc.

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Proofs of the interest in our school are shown by the frequent visits we have had from the county magistrate and school inspector, and through their words of appreciation for work the school is doing. Friendly relationships with the teachers of the government schools are manifested by their willingness to come with their orchestra and furnish music at various programs. The common people are also showing an added interest by more frequent visits than formerly.

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General News

T. H. Wang

Although we are located in the much-disturbed province of Shansi, our own location is one of peace. Before the close of 1925 the people in general, as well as ourselves, were much alarmed at the appearance of a soldier or soldiers, but now they pass through, going and coming so frequently from one place to another, that it has become a common matter for all of us and little attention is paid to it.

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We have much pity for the common people, however, because of the soldiers passing through, for each time it occasions the commandeering of their animals. Often their animals are disabled or die, and the owners or drivers suffer a great deal because of insufficient clothing and irregularity in eating, due to haste made in preparation for travel and in traveling.

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Shou Yang, January

Minneva J. Neher

We are in the midst of the Chinese New Year festivities, coming twenty-three days after ours. Every one is out in new clothes, the children and the younger women in the gayest colors. The shops are all closed for about five days, and everyone is on holiday, feasting and visiting his friends, kith and kin. The little tots get a lot of fun and joy going from house to house of their friends and relatives, for every bow which they give to their elders in wishing them a Happy New Year means a handful of nuts, sweets, or coins. Before long their little pockets are fairly bulging. The little tots of the Christians or others connected with the mission, such as the kindergartners, on the first two days of the New Year came in to wish the missionaries a "Happy New Year." We enjoyed it almost as much as they did, and our California raisins made a happy addition to their already bulging pockets. One belated visitor, a little kindergartner, appeared yesterday at the hall window, and after making an unsuccessful effort to get the door opened called to the writer, as she by chance passed through the hall. "Teacher, I want to give you 'k'o t'ou'" (a bow in which the head is bumped on the ground). The door was opened and the little visitor gave his "k'o t'ou." The writer, knowing his family to be very poor, sent him on his way happily jingling coppers in his pocket instead of raisins. Not only do the children go from house to house visiting and carrying wishes for the New Year, their elders also either send cards conveying their greetings or go in person. This year Sister Ulery and the writer also caught the spirit, and with several of the Christian women spent the better part of the first and second days of the New Year going to the various Christians' homes or other homes interested in the mission. Everywhere we went we were given tea, nuts and sweets. We had a most happy fellowship with all the folks, and felt one with them in the "going over of the year," as they say it. The days following New Year's day have been celebrated here in our little Christian group with much feasting. With the exception of one day there has been a "dinner party" every day since New Year's day. Every home seems to be taking advantage of this season to invite guests. At this time every home eats special food. It would not be New Year's without this any more than it would be Thanksgiving without turkey or Christmas without mince pie.

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The "passing over of the year" has been

hard for many of our Shou-yang people, and likely for most of the Shansi people this year. Bills which have been accumulating all through the year must be paid at the end of the year if a man is to " keep face " in the community. The demands of the military on the none too full purses of the people have made this year especially hard. Then, too, the impossibility of moving merchandise has accentuated the situation greatly. Several of our local stores went bankrupt for this reason. Local products are very cheap, and anything which ordinarily comes in from the coast cities is very high in price. Coal oil is a good example of this, as it sells now for practically $5 per five gallon tin. It is not to be wondered that many folks found it difficult to pay their bills at the end of the year.

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The closing of the school for vacation was marked with a bit of unusual excitement. The general educational committee, at the recommendation of the executive committee here, had asked the principal of the school to resign at the close of this term. When this became known to the teachers and students, they at once took steps to try to keep their principal. The students have threatened to not come back to school unless the principal is allowed to hold his position. The question seemed about to split our little church here into two distinct factions. But through the earnest and prayerful efforts of several of the Christians, who have worked most untiringly and faithfully to prevent harm being done to the work—harm which might require years to overcome—both sides seem agreed now that the principal shall be allowed to hold his position until the end of the school year if the general educational committee consents. Letters of petition from the students, from the teachers, the local Christians, and from the local executive committee are being sent to the general committee, asking them to reconsider the matter. This cloud has hung pretty heavy over us all this month, but there have been some rifts, which have made us most thankful to our heavenly Father. We have gotten glimpses into depths of devotion and faith in prayer that has warmed our hearts. It is in experiences like we have been passing through here that the real gold or dross of personality shows forth. Much time has been spent in prayer. One of the Christians, who felt so concerned about the situation, sought the solitude of an empty, fireless room in his court after his family had retired, that he might pray. Another spent the whole morning in prayer. As a result of this situation a little prayer meeting has been started, which is meeting every evening to pray for our church here. Will you also join these faithful ones in prayer, that old grudges and prejudices may be forgiven and forgotten.

INDIA

Ahwa.—December-January

Bertha L. Butterbaugh

The boarding school children put on a creditable program Christmas night. Some of our government friends were present; also some of the Hindu shopkeepers.

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A Christmas community tea was given to our Christian community. Two hundred and fifty were served and a pleasant social time was spent together.

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New Year's eve a splendid watch service was held in the church. Music, talks and prayer featured the meeting. The old year passes out the same here as it does in America.

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Jan. 12 Dr. Raymond Cottrell was here and examined the boarding-school children. He found them in much better condition than he had expected to. He also examined the teaching staff. Some of the masters were disappointed that he did not find anything physically wrong with them.

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Nine boys were baptized Jan. 1, having been in a class of special instruction during the month of December. Two new village boys come into the boarding this month and one former boy has returned.

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Owing to the serious illness of Mrs. Garner this winter, Mr. Garner has been able to spend only a short time in District work. We miss Mrs. Garner very much in the work here. She is slowly regaining her strength at the Bulsar medical bungalow. Mr. Garner leaves for Bulsar soon to take over the treasury work of L. A. Blickenstaff, who is going home on his furlough.

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We have been here at Ahwa only a short time, but the vastness of the field seems larger each month. Oh, for more trained native workers! The simple faith and love of Christ can alone win these people. We find that our approach of simple helpfulness and unselfish love toward them always awakens the best in them. The enemy forces are on the job here and are urging these simple Dangi Christians to take the pathway back to their old superstitions and idol worship. There is a great responsibility here and we feel the urge of it.

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Vali-Umalla

Anna E. Lichty

In the month of November the Vali-Umalla mission staff was increased by the coming of Bro. A. S. B. Miller and family

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The Workers' Corner

The Editor Invites Helpful Contributions for This Department of the Visitor

Missionary News

Air Mail Carries Mission Money

The treasurer of the Pasadena (Calif.) church sent $653.90 by air mail. It left Pasadena February 27, with his expressed hope that it would reach Elgin in time to be credited on the old year, which it did.

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Feb. 29 in the Treasurer's Office

The last day of the fiscal year, February 29, was an exceedingly busy day in the mission treasurer's office. Churches are noticeably becoming more familiar with the fact that the year closes the end of February, and many rush in their offerings to reach Elgin in time to count on the old year. The receipts for the last day were slightly under $12,000.

C. M. Culp.

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Sister Garber Joins Her Husband

On Feb. 17 Sister Jacob Garber, Greenmount congregation, Northern District of Virginia, passed to the other shore to join her husband. In the new set of missionary slides entitled, "The Missionary Character of Christianity," a slide is shown of Bro. Garber astride his horse and Sister Garber standing by his side, bidding him farewell as he goes out on a home mission journey. It happened that this set of slides was shown Bro. John M. Roller at the Greenmount church on Sunday night prior to Sister Garber's death. Bro. Miller, who preached her funeral, referred to the picture, stating that it would be shown all over the Brotherhood as a testimony of her devotion to the Lord's work and to the work to which her husband gave his life.

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Sorry for Those in Humdrum of Civilization

Sister B. Mary Royer, missionary to India from the Richland congregation, Eastern Pennsylvania, of the Church of the Brethren, writes of her work abroad, in the following paragraphs. Sister Royer went to India in 1913, and is now returning to the United States on her second furlough:

"I almost feel sorry for you folks who are in the humdrum of civilization every day of your lives. I believe you would agree with me if you could have a few days in a quiet, inspiring jungle like this. Just back of our camp are a few acres covered with straight, tall trees that tower towards the sky like cathedral spires. A perfect place for a quiet hour.

"My Bible woman, who has been my companion in the work for ten years, and three of our former schoolgirls are with me. These girls have not been able to go on to training of any sort, as books go. For more than a year they have been making their own living by doing the laundry work for our family of Miss Sahibs and the hospital. Two of them are from this section and I brought them along to give them a vision of the condition and needs of their own people. Very often a little knowledge puffeth up, as is the case with a few of our girls who haven't even finished the grades. But I am so thankful that the attitude of these girls towards the village people is not that. There is no doubt about their getting the vision. They take turns going to the villages with the Bible woman and me, and I believe some day they will be useful women in this needy place.

"Another important member of our party is a little chocolate drop thirteen months old. She came to us about a year ago. Her mother died, and her folks brought her because she was half starved. She was cared for in the hospital for awhile. During the rainy season my Bible woman cared for her. When touring season came it was hard to part with her, so we brought her along. She is extra work, of course, but she is also an asset to the work. She is a good example of what good care and environment can do for these backward children. When the village people admire her and make remarks about her cute little performances we tell them, ' She is one of your own kind '—their own particular caste, which means a lot to them."

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Busy, but Not Loud

General Mission Board—Greeting:

Lest you think we are not giving the missionary literature you send us the attention it should have, we beg leave to inform you that we have been doing all that we can to keep before the church the work of the Board, with the view of getting them interested as much as possible. Personally, we feel that when a church ceases to be interested in misisonary work it most certainly is falling far short of its mission in the world and is on the decline.

We have no organized Y. P. D., because of some objections by a few, but we have been working, nevertheless. We gave to the children last spring $2.20 to invest and they brought in $26.80. We expect to work same way this year.

A Sister in Maryland.

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A Heart Passionate for the Kingdom

Dear Brethren of the Mission Board:

As I read in the Messenger and Visitor of our great need it sure gives me a heartache, and I wonder what God thinks of us, anyway. I wouldn't be surprised, if he will spew some of us out. I wonder if we don't give just as much as we **love** Jesus and one another. I, for one, am so anxious for others to find Jesus in all his fullness and glory as I have found him. I am in prayer so much that we **all** let our lights shine and **love each other, that the world may know we are God's children.**

May God give our dear pastors wisdom to stir us up to our duty of giving, and not let God's work lag, is my prayer. God bless you, brethren, and the church and his people all over the world.

In His name,
A Sister in Nebraska.

Enthusiasm for Missions

The Circulation Man gets to see some of the interesting communications that come to the editor's desk. When he read the card of the good old sister who sent in five dollars for missions, and asked whether she was entitled to the Visitor for a year, he remarked, " The hope and support of the church must come from those who love the Lord, who love the church, and who love souls. These people will be found among the subscribers to our church publications. Would that we had twenty-five thousand subscribers to the Missionary Visitor!"

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Testimonial for New Missionary Slides

The new set of slides for the lecture entitled, " The Missionary Character of Christianity," was shown at our church recently. They are fine. I think they will be helpful in getting people interested in church work.

Mrs. J. C. Myers.

Note.—Slides with lecture may be rented for $2, from the General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill.

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Stewardship Testimony

It was only $5 we received the other day from a sister in Missouri, but her testimony on tithing, quoted as follows, was a gem: " Have been a tither since the first of the year, and such joy that has been in my soul since I have been a tither I can't express. Wish every one could be a tither, and they could if they would."

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Testimony for the Play, " Jeva Helps His People "

I like it very much. In fact, I believe it is much above the average missionary playlet. I want the Lanark B. Y. P. D. to get acquainted with it and present it in the near future.

Forest S. Eisenbise.

Note.—This play may be secured for 25c from the General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill.

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Missionary Review of the World Special Offer

The Missionary Review of the World is a monthly interdenominational and international journal of missions. It is interesting, informing, well written by the ablest writers and illustrated with maps and pictures.

The regular price is $2.50, but through the generosity of a friend of missions the Review may be secured for new subscribers at $1. We extend this proposition to ministers, members of missionary committees and such others who, by virtue of their work, have a vital connection with mission work.

Send cash in advance to General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill.

A VOICE FROM INDIA

(The following extract is from a personal letter to Brother C. D. Bonsack.)

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India,
Jan. 1, 1928.

My dear Cousin Charles:

I am very happy to be living here at Dahanu. I am glad for the opportunity of becoming better acquainted with my fellow missionaries here and think they are mighty fine folks. I feel that the Lord has been wonderfully kind in sending me to a place like this. May I be faithful to him.

We had a very happy Christmas here at Dahanu. On Christmas Eve the church gave a program over at the school. There were many visitors who had never been to any of our services. Among these were Parsees, Brahmans, and a number of people from the lower castes. The princess of the Jewhar State, her nurse, and the state doctor also came, as her baby was in the hospital at that time. Her father, the king, had been brought here in a very critical condition some time before, and died that same day, in our "Family Line."

The folks seemed very appreciative of what was done for him here, and in the write-up in the paper about his death Dr. Nickey was commended very highly for what she had done for him. We were glad for these contacts, and are hoping that it will help to pave the way for the Gospel to be taken into Jewhar State. These people gave a donation of two hundred rupees (about $60) to the hospital, for which we are very thankful. The folks here tell me that our missionaries were not allowed to go into that state some years ago.

We are eagerly looking forward to Bro. Winger's visit here.

Praying the Lord's richest blessings upon you all, and his divine guidance in the many problems which you have to face in planning for us missionary folks, I am,

Sincerely yours,
Ethel A. Roop.

MISSIONARY PROJECT WORKERS

The following report shows the congregations in which the 1928 missionary projects have been started. The figures show the number of persons (reported by March 13) taking up the Junior Church League work or the Young People's work as listed under the J. C. L. and B. Y. P. D. headings.

Congregation	J. C. L.	B. Y. P. D.
Northern California		
Empire	24	
Laton		10
Lindsay	125	
Eastern Colorado		
Rocky Ford	42	
Idaho		
Nampa	30	
Northern Illinois		
Bethel	60	
Chicago		50
Elgin		20
Franklin Grove		25
Rockford		20
Southern Illinois		
Allison Prairie	26	
Okaw	60	
Virden	30	26
Middle Indiana		
Flora	27	
Northern Indiana		
Bethany		25
Cedar Lake		10
Elkhart	30	35
Rock Run	48	
Goshen	65	
Middle Iowa		
Beaver		30
Dallas Center		40
Panther Creek		40
Southern Iowa		
Council Bluffs	10	10
Libertyville		37
Northeastern Kansas		
Morrill	30	
Ottawa		15
Southwestern Kansas		
Conway Springs	15	
Wichita West	6	
Eastern Maryland		
Frederick		20
Monocacy		21
Sams Creek		10
Michigan		
Battle Creek		20
Pontiac	20	
Northeastern Ohio		
Center		10
Freeburg	28	
Southern Ohio		
Eaton	15	
Georgetown	10	
New Carlisle	40	
Oregon		
Newberg	16	
Eastern Pennsylvania		
Lebanon		7
Spring Creek	36	

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The Women's Department

Conducted by Nora M. Rhodes
DALLAS CENTER, IOWA

Making Missions Vital

MRS. A. S. B. MILLER

Missionary to India

IT has been interesting to note the pulse of different churches regarding our mission program. Many feel that the expense needed to carry on foreign missions is too great, so they do nothing at all. Others feel that there is enough to do at home, and so cast their donation entirely to the home field. Such a decision will not give them a world vision, for where you place your funds you will put your thoughts and interests. Recently I talked with a young man of another faith. He said, "I have been giving to the support of my pastor and to local churches. I help the poor through my business, but not as yet have I given a cent to foreign missions." He does not realize what a few dollars sent across the water would mean to him, to help him have a real sympathy for and interest in his brother over there.

Then, too, our interest in others depends much on how well we are informed about them and their needs. Mission study affords a fine means of helping folks understand the other half of the globe. In this age of advancement we should not need to ask the question, "Am I my brother's keeper?"

It is noticeable, in many places, the way emphasis is put on the part of the children of the primary, junior, and intermediate grades for special study of the mission projects. This is right and as it should be. It is the time to start an interest in missions. The young people may find just as much and more lasting interest in reading such thrilling books as "How I Know God Answers Prayer," by Mrs. Goforth, for thirty years a missionary to China, as in poring over pages of recent fiction, or attending the movies. In other words, the great work of the church, **Missions,** should be vital in every department of the church.

One feels quite at home in a missionary society. We hear of women's missionary societies. I have never heard of a man's missionary society. Don't we have them, or are we to consider the mission-study business only a woman's business? I was present recently in a church where there is a live missionary society. This is fine for our people and they did well. We ought to have them by the hundreds. A wonderful interest exists in this band of sisters. There were forty-eight present and their offering amounted to eight dollars. If every church had a missionary society, no matter how small, and each one took up an offering, our mission treasury would have a balance instead of a deficit.

I submit the organization among the women as I saw it at work. It may be worth much to those who are interested. The Aid Society was composed of those who chose to take part in the activities that belong to such a society, as quilting, sewing, and serving meals. The younger married women preferred other sewing and fancy work. Still another division is the Missionary Society. All these divisions meet regularly. A member of one division is not barred from being a member of any other division. Joint meetings are held occasionally, to the benefit of all. Nothing is more effective than a band of people working in harmony for one good and great cause.

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Should we spend less for righteousness than for fudge, fun, and fashion? How much per week is that?

SUGGESTIONS FOR USING "THE STORY OF MISSIONS"

Synopsis of Chapters 3 and 4.

Devotions—Genesis 12: 1-3; 15: 5; 22: 15-18.

Give thanks for the vision, courage, and faithfulness of those who in the early days of our land determined that it should be won for Christ. Give thanks for what they made possible for us and pray that we may help to bring God's will to pass in our land.

Map Helps — Chapter 3 — Bringing the Cross to the New World. The most important of the great journeys of exploration should be traced; the centers of Spanish, Portuguese, and French mission work indicated with names of leading missionaries. A number of greatest religious migrations to North America should be traced and regions indicated where Pilgrims, Dutch Reformed, Anglican, and other religious groups planted their churches. Locate John Eliot's work.

Chapter 4—The Winning of America.

Trace such great missionary journeys as those of Lee and Whitman, or the company that went by chartered ship around Cape Horn and via the Hawaiian Islands. Many points of home mission interest should be indicated.

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PRACTICAL WORK OF CHICAGO WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

Our society consists of a group of Christian women who are striving to do their part in bringing about God's great kingdom.

We meet each fourth Monday evening in the home of one of our members. Here we discuss our problems, which are rather numerous in a large city. Just now we are doing some work among the boys of the Parental School. These boys have been taken here because of some crime they have committed against the school authorities.

They are here from three to six months and are given a very fine training in discipline, as well as in taking care of their room and clothes. In the summer they are given a garden to attend. They also do some farming. What boy would not like such a clean, orderly, busy place to live? For this reason some want to stay, and some mothers think they may stay, for they are well taken care of. These mothers need some one to help them to realize their responsibility as a mother. This our women are trying to do. They go into their homes and get them in touch with the closest Sunday-school. Besides going into these homes we also try to visit the homes of newly-resident people who have no church home, or new members who need to be made to feel welcome at our Sunday-school and church.

There is also a class who are so lonely, for no one can be so lonely as a stranger in a large city without a friend. These are found in our community and we try to be a friend to them. There are nominal Christians who need to know more about our Savior; there are those who are indifferent —perhaps church members of our own number—who need to have folks visit them.

Mrs. Earl A. Landes, Oak Park, Ill.

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BIRTHDAYS OF OUR WOMEN MISSIONARIES

May

"Now I beseech you . . . that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me."

10—Nettie Senger, China.

31—Mrs. Elizabeth Oberholtzer.

Pray for Our Missionaries

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EASTER, 1928

"And it came to pass that, while they communed together and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them. But their eyes were holden, that they should not know him. . . . And it came to pass as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed it, and brake, and gave to them. And their eyes were opened, and they knew him" (Luke 24: 15-16, 30-31).

They put him in a vaulted tomb—we put
him into creeds;
And they, and we, go there to find his answers to our needs.
But all the while he walks with us the toilsome road and waits till we,
In some white hour of sacrifice, his living
face shall see.

—Catherine Culnan.

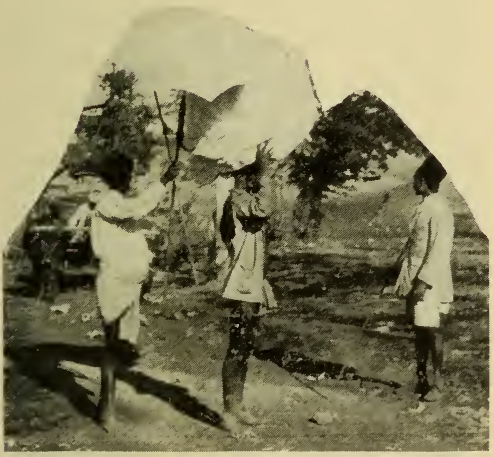
THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY

Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

Taking a Sick Baby to the Doctor in India

MARY SHULL

Missionary to India



SHE was only three months old—not old enough to do anything but smile at her father and mother. But they thought they loved her more because they were in India, a long way from their own parents. You have guessed it—they were missionaries. But Baby Mae was sick. In America it is easy to send for aunties, grandmothers, and doctors, but little Mae lived far from a doctor. It took three days to call him, as they had no telephones.

The father, mother, and missionary neighbors did all they could. The Indian boys and girls and teachers held a prayer meeting to ask the heavenly Father to heal her. The missionary doctor made a trip there, but could not stay long because there were so many sick people at his station. Little Mae improved a little, but after a few days it seemed necessary to take her to the hospital.

It meant more than packing a suitcase and taking the baby in an automobile. There was no automobile—only an old spring wagon like your grandfathers and grandmothers used to ride in. The roads were rough and rocky, so, to avoid jolting, they decided to do something else. First they made a soft bed in her little basket, then fixed a canopy top by bending split strips of bamboo over it. Wide leaves were spread over this for a covering, but they were not sufficient to keep out the heat of the tropical sun, so a pith hat was tied inside in the top.

After laying her inside, they draped a large mosquito net over the entire basket to keep any insects from annoying her. A large, strong man was selected, and the basket, with its precious burden, was set on his head. A second man walked along with an umbrella tied to a long bamboo pole. This kept the sun from shining in her eyes through the open end. A nurse, who had come to attend the District Meeting, went along, and the father and mother were very glad for her help along the way.

The first part of the journey was over the mountains, a distance of seven miles. They started at four o'clock in the afternoon, and reached the first rest house at eight o'clock. It was quite late when they cooked their supper, set up their sleeping cots, and did the other necessary things. They still had a long journey ahead of them, so they arose at two o'clock, which made it possible for them to travel a long time before the sun became very hot. When it did get too warm for little Mae they stopped at the river to make the leaves wet.

They were all glad when they arrived at the railway station and settled down in the car for an easier way of travel. That night, at nearly eleven o'clock, they came to the hospital, where the kind doctor, who knows what to do for sick babies, was ready to prescribe treatment for her disease. Today her father and mother do not cease praising the heavenly Father for the doctors in India. They know of many other little babies who have been healed because he put it into the hearts of some doctors to go to that far country, and into the hearts of others at home to support them.

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Jolly Juniors and Peppy Primaries, with Three Teachers, on Church Lawn at Rocky Ford, Colorado

Fording the Rockies

The Junior Church League of Rocky Ford, Colo., are rejoicing as we send our money to the Mission Board. With prayers and good wishes from our happy children, we are hoping that the amount—$64.01—though not a large sum, will help in furthering the education of our black brothers and sisters and in making them more comfortable and happy.

We raised flowers for a large seed grower here in the city last year. Rocky Ford is located in a large and very fertile valley near the Rocky Mountains. It was necessary to use irrigation as a means of watering our patches of flowers, and our pastor, Bro. Ernest Wampler, very successfully managed the irrigating process.

The boys were usually on hand to help with this, as it was very interesting to them. Later the girls, with the supervision of the teachers, helped with the weeding, spacing, and transplanting. Then later, when the crop was ready to harvest, all together we gathered the seed into bags and hauled them away to the seed house. As we had to wait our turn to get our seed thrashed, it seemed rather long before we could know the results.

We have an enrollment of about 42 in our children's department. For the Primaries we have one supervisor, Mrs. Maude Beaver. In the Junior department we have two instructors for the year—Mrs. Jessie Wine and Mrs. Jessie Andrews. These take charge every other evening. So the work can be planned together, both be present when needed, and each have an evening off occasionally.

We have been studying Japan, and will soon take up the leaflet, "The Junior League Brings Health to India." At the close of this study we will give a missionary program on Japan. Also the same evening there will be a play given by the B. Y. P. D. We hope soon to have our plans made for our work for the Brown Brothers this year.

Mrs. Jessie Andrews.

Ministering Marylanders

The children of Meadow Branch Sunday-school, Eastern District of Maryland, have for a number of years been earning money in different ways each summer, and at Thanksgiving time they turn their money in. It is used for missions, both home and foreign. This year they earned $40, and $10 of this amount is to go to our Black Brothers in Africa, for which I enclose check. Other benevolences which we remember are:

The Home for the Aged, at San Mar.

The Industrial School in Virginia.

Our County Home.

The aged and shut-ins and sick of our community.

Together with our gifts this year we visited a number of homes and sang for them and had a short service.

There is in our town of Westminster a Home for the Aged. We rendered a Christmas program for them, and presented each guest of the Home with a calendar.

Our gifts reached far over one hundred people, besides what we send to Africa.

Mrs. J. Walter Thomas,
Supt. Children's Division.
Westminster, Md., R. 11.

PERIODS AND INTERROGATIONS

"What do you want us to do now?" wants to know Flo M. Spanogle, Lewistown, Pa., Junior leader. That means they have made a period after "Black Brothers," and have taken up the question of what to do for the "Brown Brothers." Color makes no difference to these youngsters! The 1928 Mission Study Prospectus and other literature are available for all inquirers. The "open season" for missionary work is almost here. Hands to the hoe!

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Here is a check of $24.52 from the Junior department of the Bridgewater Brethren Sunday-school, for the 1927 Africa mission work. Many of the boys and girls take great pride in working and giving the money which they have earned themselves. We are wondering what our project shall be for 1928, and hope to do better this year.

Edna L. Miller,
Mt. Crawford, Va. Supt. Jun. Dept.

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The children of Price's Creek Sunday-school (So. Dist. of Ohio) have been saving their pennies through the mite-box system for the past year. Christmas morning they gave a short program, when these boxes were brought in. They also gave the money which usually bought a sack of candy for them. Also the money from the Children's Day program last June. They have enjoyed doing this. The amount is $33.40, to be used in Africa. We adults felt we ought to help, so we raised $25.24 additional. Find check enclosed.

E. C. Burnett, S. S. Supt.
West Manchester, Ohio.

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Enclosed you will find check for $22.75 from the Junior department of the Goshen City church, for the Africa Mission. The Juniors have been working hard, and are giving half of their money to our local building fund. They want a new Junior department, as we have fifty-two Juniors in three small rooms. They also have a box of supplies to send to the Africa hospital—12 sheets, 6 pr. pillow slips, 6 bath towels, 6 hand towels, and a box of bandages. More will be added. We have started a Junior Endeavor, and will be glad for any helps you can offer. Edith M. Troyer.
314 So. Main St., Goshen, Ind.

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Our secretary is sending the last of the money our boys and girls raised for our Black Brothers. It was raised in various ways: Some had paper routes, some raised vegetables, others poultry, and some of the girls had a candy sale. The Junior League gave $3.00; Beginners, $9.00; Primaries, $19.00; Juniors, $25.00; Intermediates, $34.00; making a total of $90.00. We are all looking forward to our work for India this year.
Naperville, Ill. Dora I. Shiffler, Supt.

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Find enclosed $38 from the Primaries and Juniors of Turkey Creek Sunday-school (Northern Indiana), for our Black Brothers Fund. We hope we will not have a deficit by the children being taught to give while young. We had forty children enrolled, and this money was given by thirty-five children. We will help India in 1928.
Nappanee, Ind. Henry L. Pletcher.

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I am enclosing $8.51 to be credited to the 1927 Junior League Fund, which, with the $64 previously sent in, raises the Four Mile (Southern Indiana) children's contribution to $72.51. I think the children have enjoyed doing the work, and we are hoping to do more this year. Mrs. F. E. McCune.
Kitchel, Ind.

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The children are delighted with the J. C. L. buttons. There are seven in this group. Last fall, by raising garden and rabbits, they made a contribution of about $10 to the Africa mission fund. This year the Juniors will try again, following the same plan. Each one will be given a dime, with the opportunity to increase it as much as possible by fall. We have a regular missionary jar, to which pennies are contributed each Sunday. It does one's heart good to see the little folks take such an interest. Their little hearts are big. We hope in the near future to put on a missionary play.

Elsie Anna Reed, Teacher.
Newberg, Ore.

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The South James River Sunday-school loaned to the Juniors, and those of the Intermediates who cared to take part, a quarter to invest for "Our Black Brothers" fund in May, 1927. Some planted potatoes, some beans, some bought eggs and raised chickens, etc. Oct. 16 a program was given and the children brought their earnings. Twenty-two took part in the project. The total raised was $41.18. After returning the $5.50 to the Sunday-school, there is a balance of $35.68. We also have a donation from the Girls' Sunshine Club of $2.25. This club consisted of five of the girls who had taken part in the investment. They became so enthusiastic over their work for "Our Black Brothers" fund that they decided to donate the earnings of their club work too. This makes the total $37.93.
Carrington, N. D. Mrs. D. M. Graham.

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Bula Fitz, Astoria, Ill., thinks the Juniors of her school who earned money for the Africa fund worked diligently enough to get themselves into a picture. Look at the bunch, and see if you don't think they are worth it!

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Enclosed you will find $25 from the Primary Department of the Salamonie Sunday-

Some Astoria Accomplishers

school (Middle Indiana), to be applied to the Black Brothers Fund. We use the third Sunday of each month as Missionary Day. The superintendent of the adult department gave each child that wished ten cents to invest and bring back the increase. This was our reward. Count on us to help in the missionary medical work of India for 1928.

Mrs. Wade Shellenbarger,
Huntington, Ind. Prim. Supt.

A Correction

On page 56 of the February Visitor Ernest B. Craun leaves us under the impression that the check sent for the Africa Fund was from the Weyers Cave Juniors. He would like us to say that it was the diligent youngsters of the Summit church who were responsible for the money. Doubtless they are now ready to fall in line for the "Brown Brothers" parade.

BY THE EVENING LAMP

Dear Aunt Adalyn: May I join your circle? I am eleven years old, and in the sixth grade. I am a member of the Brethren church. We live on a farm of twenty acres. I go to school on a school truck. I hope some time I can help the Black Brothers. I wish some one of the circle would write to me. Dwight Sargent.
Fruitland, Idaho.

Do you think your folks could spare you a little garden spot which you might dedicate to the Black or Brown or Yellow Brothers? "Fruitland" sounds like a prosperous country.

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I am nine years old and want to join your circle. I have a brother fourteen years old and a sister six. My baby sister, a year old, is walking every place. I am in the fourth grade. I am taking lessons on the piano. Leona Ruble.
McVeytown, Pa.

It won't be long till you can bring your baby sister into the circle. I am glad you are learning to make music for the family.

NUTS TO CRACK

Curtailments

1. Remove the last letter of a poet, and leave a barrier.
2. Curtail to tie, and leave a place of storage.
3. Curtail an opening in a barrel, and leave a kind of bread.
4. Curtail a garment, and leave another garment.
5. Curtail a six-sided object, and leave a young bear.
6. Curtail a coin, and leave dusky.
7. Curtail a sand hill, and leave a dull color.
8. Curtail the head of the Catholic church, and leave to explode.

Word Square

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First row across spells a Greek style of architecture.
Second row spells a direction.
Third row spells a city of India.
Fourth row spells a man named in Judges 12: 8.
Fifth row spells a river of Damascus.

Put in order the first letters of the words, and you have one of our mission countries.
Do the same with the last letters, and you have another country.

(Answers next month)

MARCH NUTS CRACKED

Decapitations.—1. Mend—end. 2. Cloud—loud. 3. Clock—lock. 4. Glass—lass. 5. Twitch—witch. 6. Chair—hair. 7. Bounce—ounce. 8. Shark—hark.

Missing Words. — 1. By—buy. 2. Belle—bell. 3. Mite—might. 4. Pale—pail. 5. Rode—road. 6. Heel—heal 7. Raze—raise. 8. Pause—paws.

"SELF-DENIAL WEEK"

Self-denial Week, and the mission band,
As, of course, you really understand,
Was planning for the purpose of giving a lift
To the mission cause by an extra gift.

"Oh, dear!" cried Bessie; "Oh, my! Oh, my!
I don't see how I can self-deny.
I've nothing to do it with at all;
I've scarcely a penny my own to call;
Whatever I save must be very small."

"I wonder, I wonder," cried Tom and Lou,
"What in the world we can ever do.
Not a cent is ours to spend or give;
'Tis as much as we all can do to live,
If we earned a little 'twould be so small
It wouldn't be worth our giving at all."

So the children talked, but they talked in vain,
For the leader hastened to make it plain
That the "doing without" for the Savior's sake
And the little sacrifice each could make
Were the very things that they all should seek,
Just a day at a time, Self-denial Week.

You might never guess how it came about,
But each one found something to do without,
For their hearts in earnest they really gave,
And their best endeavors to earn and save.
Not a single member of that bright band
Had a chance to do something great and grand,
But the little things by the many wrought
Exceeded all they had hoped or thought;
And the gifts of their hands went far and wide,
That the bread of life might not be denied,
But the hungry souls might be satisfied.
If you add the littles and multiply
You will find that they count up by and by.
It is keeping on, after all, that counts,
And that brings to the treasury large amounts.

—Selected.

SEE PAGE 114 FOR LIST OF GROUPS ALREADY REPORTED WORKING FOR OUR BROWN BROTHERS

FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1927. As of February 29, 1928, the Conference (Budget) for the year ending February 29, 1928, stands as follows:
Cash received since March 1, 1927, ...$278,811.84
The 1927 Budget of $408,300.00 is 68.3% raised, whereas it should be 100%.)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on February 29, 1928:

Income since March 1, 1927, ...	$276,617.17
Income same period last year, ...	315,180.40
Expense since March 1, 1927, ...	365,137.20
Expense same period last year, ...	313,948.83
Mission deficit February 29, 1928, ...	97,404.64
Mission deficit January 31, 1928, ...	69,193.50
Increase in deficit for February, 1928, ...	28,211.14

Tract Distribution: During the month of January the Board sent out 2,536 doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 24: See March, 1928, Visitor, under World-Wide Missions, $6.00 credit to No. St. Joseph Cong., No. Mo., $3.00 has since been designated for Junior League.

January Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during January:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

Arizona—$54.00

S. S.: Glendale, ...$ 54.00

California—$413.97

No. Dist., Cong.: Butte Valley, $13.33; Laton, $17.72; McFarland, $33.75; Modesto, $44.16; Reedley, $22.29; Sarah A. Garvey (Empire), $10; J. R. Wine (M. N.) (Empire), $.50; No. 102555 (Empire), $6; Lester B. Vaughn (Laton), $4; No. 102933 (Laton), $25; S. W. Fahnestock (Oakland), $10; Mrs. Orville Beckner (Reedley), $4; S. S.: Modesto, $19.66; Oakland, $42.18; Y. P. D.: Reedley, $5, ... 257.59

So. Dist., Cong.: Glendora, $85.08; C. Walter Warstler (M. N.) (Calvary, Los Angeles), $1; S. L. Gross (Santa Ana), $3.40; S. S.: Hermosa Beach, $39.31; C. W. S.: E. San Diego, $17.88; Indv.: M. Grace Miller, $9.71, 156.38

Canada—$6.50

Cong.: Merrington, ... 6.50

Colorado—$191.92

E. Dist., Cong.: Colorado Springs, $25.82; Wiley, $18.25; Indv.: H. P. Lehman, $25, ... 69.07

W. Dist., Cong.: First Grand Valley, $110.17; S. S.: Fruita, $5.18; Men's Bible Class, Fruita, $7.50, ... 122.85

Florida—$125.81

Cong.: Sebring, $84; Unknown donor of Orlando, $2; E. H. Hurst (Zion), $6; S. S.: Sebring, $30.02; Seneca, $3.79, ... 125.81

Idaho—$35.00

Cong.: Emmett, $24; Fruitland, $11, ... 35.00

Illinois—$443.29

No. Dist., Cong.: Franklin Grove, $5.33; Lanark, $20.25; Mt. Morris, $25; Polo, $75; Sterling, $6.75; Unknown donor of Elgin, $1.11; M. D. Wingert & Wife (Franklin Grove), $24; George Laughrin (Hickory Grove), $4; Little L. Myers & Wife (Lena), $5; I. C. Paul & Wife (Mt. Morris), $5; S. S.: Batavia, $8.73; Franklin Grove, $12.66; Lena, $24.88; Milledgeville, $3.39; Sterling, $6.29; West Branch, $27, ... 254.39

So. Dist., Cong.: Astoria, $43.40; Canton, $29; Decatur, $5.47; La Motte Prairie, $19.68; Okaw, $20; Virden, $4.90; Woodland, $41.50; Mary Hester (Girard), $1; S. S.: Allison Prairie, $5.71; La Place (Okaw), $18.24 ...... 188.90

Indiana—$2,046.61

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Bachelor Run, $39.56; Clear Creek, $77.65; Flora, $91.33; Loon Creek, $30; Manchester, $606.07; Markle, $15; Pipe Creek, $46.76; Pleasant View, $143; Portland, $14.27; South Whitley, $8.85; West Eel River, $10.08; Cong. & S. S.: Eel River, $34.29; Mabel Monce (Manchester), $5; Marie Shively (Manchester), $5; Sarah Heaston (Markle), $4; S. S.: Hickory Grove, $112.70; Wabash Country, $35; Aid Soc.: Pipe Creek, $25, ... 1,303.56

No. Dist., Cong.: Baugo, $26.08; Cedar Lake, $1.97; English Prairie, $29.22; Middlebury, $14; No. Winona Lake, $40; Walnut, $54.10; Amos Kinzie (Middlebury), $2; Individuals (Nappanee), $16; Mrs. Margaret Wehrly (Syracuse), $3; S. S.: North Liberty, $32; Pleasant Valley, $57.15, ... 275.52

So. Dist., Cong.: Anderson, $161.38; Arcadia, $21.25; Indianapolis, $19.10; Kokomo, $9; Nettle Creek, $37.64; Pyrmont, $133; Summitville, $3.50; White, $6.40; John W. Root (Fairview), $10; Cecile Carey (Howard), $1; Mark Himes (Ladoga), $1; Benj. F. Deardorff (Maple Grove), $4; Letha Hopkins (Maple Grove), $5; Mrs. Leslie Lambert (Maple Grove), $5; Samuel Barret (Middletown), $10; Cecil Huffman (Mt. Pleasant), $5; Delbert E. William (Mt. Pleasant), $5; J. Andrew Miller (M. N.) (Muncie), $2.50; Harvey Dnnbar (White), $2; S. H. Price (White), $8; S. S.: Nettle Creek, $13.96; Indv.: R. A., $3.80, ... 467.53

Iowa—$422.84

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Edwin L. West (Des Moines Valley), $67; C. Z. Reitz (Maxwell), $33.10; S. S.: Bagley, $1.78; Pleasant View, Cedar, $2.29; Panora, Coon River, $11.57; Robins, Dry Creek, $15.95; Walnut Ridge, Prairie City, $5; Y. P. D.: Cedar, $3, ... 139.69

No. Dist., Cong.: Kingsley, $5; Waterloo City (South Waterloo), $185; John Whitmer & Wife (Curlew), $10; Mrs. Lydia Sweitzer (Waterloo City, South Waterloo), $5; S. S.: Primary Dept., Waterloo City (South Waterloo), $5.15, ... 210.15

So. Dist., Cong.: Lawrence Clark (Ottumwa), $5; S. S.: Libertyville, $50; Salem, $18, ... 73.00

Kansas—$504.60

N. E. Dist., Cong.: H. R. Tice Richland Center), $10; S. S.: "Servants of the Master" Class, Morrill, $52; Richland Center, $20.63; Sabetha, $104.50; Aid Soc.: Appanoose, $10, ... 197.13

N. W. Dist., Cong.: Frances A. Singer (White Rock), $2; S. S.: No. Solomon, $17.07, 19.07

S. E. Dist., Cong.: In memory of the wife and mother of W. H. Sell and Orlin (Fredonia), $5; L. Watkins (Mont Ida), $5; Sadie Nice (Osage), $3; Lizzie Shank (Osage), $5; Gladys Shideler (Osage), $5; Indv.: Mrs. Mary Shank, $1, ... 24.00

S. W. Dist., Cong.: McPherson, $84.20; West Wichita, $4; R. O. Boone (McPherson), $150; A. Yoder (Peabody), $10; Etta McGonigle (Salem), $5; S. S.: Larned Rural, $9.30; Indv.: Julia A. Sandy, $1.90, .. 264.40

Louisiana—$31.69

Cong.: Roanoke, $21.05; S. S.: Roanoke, $5.64; Indv.: John S. Metzger, $5, ... 31.69

Maryland—$772.10

E. Dist., Cong.: Bethany, $8.25; Frederick, $70; Long Green Valley, $28.04; Westminster (Meadow Branch), $157.52; Union Bridge (Pipe Creek), $16.69; Geo. E. Brengle (Frederick City), $10; H. E. Beard & Family

(Meadow Branch), $8; John D. and Wm. E. Roop (Meadow Branch), $100; Roy W. Grossnichel & Family (Middletown Valley), $50; A Helper (Piney Creek), $3; Arlene V. Guyton (Pipe Creek), $1.50; Wm. E. Gosnell & Wife (Sams Creek), $15; S. S.: Pleasant Hill (Bush Creek), $2.50; Meadow Branch, $22.48; Myersville (Middletown Valley), $84.30; Blue Ridge (Pipe Creek), $27.09; Indv.: No. 103189, $10, ... 614.37

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Beaver Creek, $11.14; A Sister (Longmeadow), $2, ... 13.14

W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $85; Cherry Grove, $11.76; Westernport, $12.83; R. A. Haney & Wife (Cherry Grove), $10; Aid Soc.: Accident, Bear Creek, $25, ... 144.59

Michigan—$77.24

Cong.: Battle Creek, $25.02; Sugar Ridge, $7.77; Zion, $2.95; Floyd N. Drake (M. N.) (New Haven), $.50; S. S.: Willing Workers Class, Beaverton, $11; Onekama, $30, ... 77.24

Minnesota—$27.50

Cong.: Hancock, $14.50; Winona, $5; Mrs. John Holmes (Guthrie), $3; Mrs. John Owen (Root River), $5, ... 27.50

Missouri—$81.50

No. Dist., Cong.: O. H. Feiler (M. N.) (Rockingham), $.50; Mrs. Emma Van Trump (Wakenda), $15; S. S.: Walnut Grove (Smith Fork), $55; Indv.: No. 103351, $1, ... 71.50

So. Dist., S. S.: Carthage, ... 10.00

Montana—$18.00

E. Dist., Cong.: Poplar Valley, $5; J. S. Geiser & Family (Grand View), $8; D. M. Moothart (Grand View), $5, ... 18.00

Nebraska—$157.64

Cong.: Afton, $15.46; Bethel, $86.61; Octavia, $2; C. J. Lichty (Beatrice), $5; David Neher (Beatrice), $10; A Helper (Silver Lake), $10; Cong. & S. S.: Enders, $20.61; S. S.: Lincoln, $3.31; South Loup, $4.65, ... 157.64

New Mexico—$3.00

Indv.: Mary Hornbaker, ... 3.00

North Carolina—$1.00

Indv.: H. H. Masters, ... 1.00

North Dakota—$10.00

Cong.: Kenmare, ... 10.00

Ohio—$1,423.34

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Danville, $53.13; New Philadelphia, $18.98; Springfield, $58.40; West Nimishillen, $18.48; Zion Hill, $2; J. C. Summers & Family (Bethel), $25; Alice Emmert, (Cleveland), $4; M. A. Brumbaugh (Kent), $10; G. R. Gortner (Mohican), $5; Mrs. Sarah A. Dupler (Olivet), $5; Louisa Burkhart (Tuscarawas), $5; No. 103316 (Zion Hill), $6; S. S.: Ashland City, $35.69; Owl Creek, $28.88; Woodworth, $9.31, ... 284.87

N. W. Dist., Cong.: Dupont, $35.11; Greensprings, $12.14; Lima, $41.78; Pleasant View, $50; Poplar Ridge, $77; Ross, $4; Milford Dishong (Deshler), $1; S. P. Weaver (M. N.) (Lima), $.50; John H. Good (Logan), $20; Mary Snyder (Logan), $10; N. I. Cool (M. N.) (Pleasant View) 0.50; Beatrice Hartsough (Portage), $5; S. S.: Oak Grove (Rome), $41.87; Sand Ridge, $11.65, ... 310.55

So. Dist., Cong.: Brookville, $26.70; Donnels Creek, $36.32; East Dayton, $12; Pitsburg, $9.01; Pleasant Hill, $40.09; Sidney, $15.90; Trotwood, $136.11; Union City, $44.92; West Dayton, $113; West Milton, $49.16; Mose Eby (Salem), $2; Chas. O. Lightner (Salem), $5; J. F. Burton (M. N.) (Trotwood), $.50; Elaine Alcorn (West Dayton), $20; Joe Doner (West Milton), $4; S. S.: Bear Creek, $78.30; " Buds of Hope " Class (Cincinnati), $10; " Berean " Bible Class, Ft. McKinley, $4.50; Ft. McKinley, $9; Greenville, $32.68; Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater), $24.75; Painter Creek and Red River (Painter Creek), $78.56; Pitsburg, $19; Intermediate Class, Pleasant Valley, $10; Springfield, $37.87; Union City, $8.55, ... 827.92

Oklahoma—$3.90

S. S.: Guthrie, ... 3.90

Oregon—$86.82

Cong.: Ashland, $11.32; Grants Pass, $22; Mabel, $16; Portland, $24; S. S.: Ashland, $3.50; Indv.: Charles E. Wolff & Family, $10, 86.82

Pennsylvania—$4,519.88

E. Dist., Cong.: Elizabethtown, $1,060.55; Ephrata, $41.15; Mechanic Grove, $20.59; Lebanon (Midway), $10; Reading, $20; Richland, $29.65; Spring Grove, $24; Swatara, Little, $137; Unknown donor (Elizabethtown), $1; Levi M. Wenger (Fredericksburg), $15; A Sister (Indian Creek), $2.50; Florence B. Gibbel (Lititz), $10; Augusta Reber (Lititz), $12.50; U. C. Fasnacht (M. N.) (Mechanic Grove), $.50; S. S.: Gleaners' Class, Akron, $5; Bareville (Conestoga), $50; E. Fairview, $14.45; E. Petersburg, $8.53; Elizabethtown, $340; Ephrata, $22.62; Harrisburg, $149.31; Lansdale (Hatfield), $20; Indian Creek, $24.61; Mechanic Grove, $28.26; Mingo, $200; Mountville, $30.24; Reading, $35; Richland, $70; Hummelstown (Spring Creek), $14.24; Aid Soc.: Mingo, $25; Indv.: Emma K. Landis, $5; No. 102584, $5; Elizabethtown College, $75.56, ... 2,507.26

Mid. Dist.: 28th St. Altoona, $50; Cherry Lane, $3.85; Lewistown, $70.05; Woodbury, $108.60; Women's Missy. Soc. (First Altoona), $3; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek), $10; Susan Rouzer (Dunnings Creek), $5; Frank Myers & Wife (James Creek), $50; S. S.: 28th St. Altoona, $44.04; Germany Valley (Aughwick), $6.04; Rockhill (Aughwick), $10; Sugar Run (Aughwick), $1.77; Bellwood, $15; Maitland (Dry Valley), $7.37; Fairview, $14.42; New Enterprise, $97.51; Spring Mount (Warriors Mark), $21.26; Curryville (Woodbury) $6.79; Yellow Creek, $12.45, ... 537.15

S. E. Dist., Cong.: Coventry, $25; Germantown (Philadelphia), $92.33; Springfield, $2; W. G. Nyce (Pottstown), $1; S. S.: Norristown, $7.51; Parkerford, $270.38; Primary Dept., Parkerford, $10; " Friendly Helpers " Class, Parkerford, $10; First Philadelphia, $4; Quakertown (Springfield), $65.75, ... 487.97

So. Dist., Cong.: Antietam, $6.50; Carlisle, $25; Huntsdale, $26.71; Newville, $12.50; Pleasant Hill, $64.49; Mrs. Otelia Hereter (Marsh Creek), $2; Mary E. Bixler (York), $2; S. S.: Hanover, $12.35; Mechanicsburg, $7.37; New Fairview, $11.28; Melrose (Upper Codorus), $5.90; Waynesboro Classes: "Truth Seekers " Class, $122; " Busy Bee " Class, $30; Nelson Gingrich's Class, $30; Primary Department, $50; Loyal Workers Soc., $10; Dorcas Society, $50; Earl Snader's Class, $5; " Fedelis " Class, $100; Cradle Roll Dept., $30; Waynesboro, $25.64; Primary Dept., York, $10; Aid Soc.: York, $25, ... 663.74

W. Dist., Cong.: Conemaugh, $13.40; Connellsville, $12.62; County Line (Indian Creek), $10; Meyersdale, $95.29; Mt. Joy, $36.97; Penn Run, $15; Plum Creek, $20.50; Redbank, $2.38; Geo. B. Pritts (Ligonier), $5; A Brother & Sister (Manor), $50; Anna R. Meyers (Marklesburg), $1; R. E. Reed (Mt. Union), $20; W. J. Hamilton (Rockwood), $10; S. S.: Rayman (Brothersvalley), $25; Montgomery, $6.60, ... 323.76

South Carolina—$18.06

Cong.: Melvin Hill, ... 18.06

Tennessee—$22.05

Cong.: Johnson City, $14.05; S. S.: Johnson City, $6; Indv.: Mrs. Mary K. Clark, $2, ... 22.05

Texas—$114.28

Cong.: Manvel, $50; Nocona, $57; S. S.: Falfurrias, $7.28, ... 114.28

Virginia—$403.14

E. Dist., Cong.: Midland, $12.48; Mt. Carmel, $64.16; Oronoco, $4.50; S. S.: Nokesville, $34.61; Valley, $16.93, ... 132.68

1st Dist., Cong.: Mrs. E. P. Fariss (Antioch), $1; Mrs. Sallie E. Pursley (Mt. Joy), $4.50, ... 5.50

No. Dist., Cong.: Rileyville, $44.45; South Fork, $6.50; Unity, $38.47; Upper Lost River, $5.25; J. B. Coffman (Cooks Creek), $.15;

S. S.: Bethel (North Mill Creek), $20; Rileyville, $8.05; Salem, $9.81; Aid Soc.: Greenmount, $10, ... 142.68
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Barren Ridge, $17; Summit, $17.37; Mrs. B. F. Miller (Beaver Creek), $5; Addison Crummet & Wife (Hiner, Sangerville), $15; Bettie F. Lamb (Waynesboro), $5; S. S.: Bridgewater, $10.59; Sangerville, $15.32; Branch (Sangerville), $26, .. 111.28
So. Dist., Cong.: Sarah J. Hylton (Coulson), $1; Mrs. Pauline Nolley (Christiansburg), $10, ... 11.00

Washington—$22.92
Cong.: Omak, $6.10; Whitestone, $6.82; S. S.: Mt. Hope, $10, ... 22.92

West Virginia—$129.30
1st Dist., Cong.: Matilda J. Ely, (Bean Settlement), $1; Geo. H. Hoke (Bean Settlement), $4; A. G. Bohrer (Capon Chapel), $1; D. C. Shanholtz (Capon Chapel), $2; D. L. Shanholtz (Capon Chapel), $3; Mrs. H. R. Whisner (Capon Chapel), $4; Lizzie Carr (Eglon), $5; C. W. Martin (Knobley), $5; Albert L. Sites (Knobley), $4; Baker Sisters (New Creek), $5; Henry N. Abe (Old Furnace), $5; Edward Beeman (Old Furnace), $4; Dennis Culp (Old Furnace), $4; H. M. Grapes (Old Furnace), $4; D. W. Tusing (Old Furnace), $5; Daniel B. Harper (Red Creek), $4; John Miley (Seneca), $25; Arthur Vance (Seneca), $5; S. S.: Pennington (Red Creek), $5; White Pine, $12.30; Indv.: D. J. Simmons, $10, ... 112.30
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Goshen, $8; C. A. Spurgeon (Pleasant Valley), $4, ... 12.00

Wisconsin—$23.10
Cong.: Rice Lake, $11; White Rapids, $8.10; S. S.: Chippewa, $2; Maple Grove, $1; Indv.: Mrs. Phoebe Barber, $1, ... 23.10

Total for the month, ...$12,191,00
Total previously reported, ... 45,023.87

$57,214.87
Correction No. 24, ... 3.00

Total for the year, ...$57,211.87

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND 1926-27

Illinois—$31.50
No. Dist., Bethany Volunteer Band, ...$ 31.50

Total for the month, ...$ 31.50
Total previously reported, ... 3,123.91

Total for the year, ...$ 3,155.41

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND 1927-28

Illinois—$165.00
No. Dist., Bethany Volunteer Band, ...$ 165.00

Total for the month, ...$ 165.00
Total previously reported, ... 61.00

Total for the year, ...$ 226.00

AID SOCIETY FOREIGN MISSION FUND

Virginia—$10.00
No. Dist., Aid Soc.: Greenmount, ...$ 10.00

Total for the month, ...$ 10.00
Total previously reported, ... 3,113.02

Total for the year, ...$ 3,123.02

AID SOCIETY MISSION FUND—1927

Kansas—$22.50
S. W. Dist., Aid Societies, ...$ 22.50

Maryland—$70.00
E. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 25.00
Mid. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 45.00

Oregon—$83.25
Aid Societies, $24.25; Grants Pass, $13; Myrtle Point, $23; Portland, $23, ... 83.25

Pennsylvania—$298.50
E. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 298.50

Tennessee—$44.40
Aid Societies, ... 44.40

Virginia—$4.00
No. Dist., Aid Soc.: Greenmount, ... 4.00

Total for the month, ...$ 522.65
Total previously reported, ... 505.00

Total for the year, ...$ 1,027.65

HOME MISSIONS

California—$11.10
No. Dist., Cong.: Empire, $4; Mrs. Myra Lei (Empire), $1, ... 5.00
So. Dist., Cong.: La Verne, ... 6.10

Idaho—$56.31
Cong.: Twin Falls, ... 56.31

Illinois—$14.78
No. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. W. W. Lehman (Dixon), $1; S. S.: Milledgeville, $3.01, ... 4.01
So. Dist., Cong.: Astoria, ... 10.77

Indiana—$29.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Mississinewa, ... 29.00

Kansas—$15.73
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Kansas City, ... 15.73

Maryland—$10.00
E. Dist., Indv.: No. 103189. .... 5.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Welsh Run, ... 5.00

Michigan—$12.65
S. S.: Long Lake, ... 12.65

Missouri—$25.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Broadwater, ... 25.00

Nebraska—$7.00
Cong.: Beatrice, $2; Indv.: Sarah A. Kohler, $5, ... 7.00

North Dakota—$6.00
S. S.: Three Primary Classes, Zion, ... 6.00

Ohio—$61.80
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Cleveland, $3; Mrs. Della Keller (Owl Creek), $1, ... 4.00
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Defiance, ... 20.15
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: Lower Miami, $4.65; Middle District, $33, ... 37.65

Pennsylvania—$248.54
E. Dist., Cong.: Augusta Reber (Lititz), .. 12.50
Mid. Dist., Cong.: 28th St. Altoona, $25.41; Everett, $26.40; Hollidaysburg, $13.54; Upper Claar, $9.34; S. S.: 28th St. Altoona, $2; Aid Societies, $37.50, ... 114.19
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Norristown, $18.40; S. S.: Norristown, $10.16, ... 28.56
So. Dist., Cong.: Newville, $12.69; Shippensburg, $50; Mary Bixler, (York), $2; Indv.: Millie I. Bard, $1, ... 65.69
W. Dist., Cong.: Windber, $20.26; S. S.: Geiger, $7.34, ... 27.60

Virginia—$154.89
E. Dist., S. S.: Drainville (Fairfax), $4.50; Aid Soc.: Valley, $4.35, ... 8.85
1st Dist., Cong.: Daleville, $77.92; N. E. Lintecum (Crab Orchard), $2.25, ... 80.17
No. Dist., Cong.: South Fork, $5.87; S. S.: Bible Class, Linville Creek, $50; Aid Soc.: Linville Creek, $10, ... 65.87

West Virginia—$16.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: M. C. Czigan, (Pleasant Valley), $5; L. D. Charles, Jr. (Pleasant Valley), $10; H. G. Spurgeon (Pleasant Valley), $1, ... 16.00

Total for the month, ...$ 668.80
Total previously reported, ... 16,866.05

Total for the year, ...$17,534.85

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

Idaho—$2.50
S. S.: Junior Class, Winchester, ...$ 2.50

Indiana—$10.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Sunshine Class," White Branch (Nettle Creek), ... 10.00

Pennsylvania—$1.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: 28th St. Altoona, ... 1.00

Virginia—$60.99
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Chas. B. Gibles (Valley Bethel), $10; S. S.: Primary Dept., Middle River, $50.99, ... 60.99

Total for the month,	$ 74.49
Total previously reported,	594.74
Total for the year,	$ 669.23

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Illinois—$23.00	
No. Dist., Aid Soc.: Milledgeville,	$ 10.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Canton,	13.00
Indiana—$20.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: Chas. J. Lauer & Wife (Elkhart),	20.00
Kansas—$5.00	
S. W. Dist., Cong.: West Wichita,	5.00
Minnesota—$80.95	
Cong.: Root River,	80.95
Ohio—$109.00	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Black River,	94.30
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Bellefontaine,	11.70
So. Dist., S. S.: Middletown,	3.00
Pennsylvania—$336.30	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Ardenheim,	10.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Coventry, $75; S. S.: First Philadelphia, $31,	106.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Brothers Valley, $65; Westmont, $128.80; S. S.: Westmont, $26.50,	220.30
Washington—$6.00	
Cong.: Omak,	6.00
Total for the month,	$ 580.25
Total previously reported,	3,024.93
Total for the year,	$ 3,605.18

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1926

Idaho—$3.93	
S. S.: Winchester,	$ 3.93
Total for the month,	$ 3.93
Total previously reported,	816.20
Total for the year,	$ 820.13

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1927

Colorado—$61.59	
E. Dist., S. S.: Children of Denver, $28.59; Junior and Intermediate Girls, Haxtun, $18.50; Junior League and S. S., Wiley, $14.50,	$ 61.59
California—$165.33	
No. Dist., Cong.: Reedley, $23.58; S. S.: Oakland, $31.64; Laton, $3.60; Lindsay, $53.68; Second Primary, Junior and Intermediate Classes, Waterford, $26.70; "Frontier Boys," Mt. Hermon Summer Assembly, $2.50,	141.70
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept., Covina,	23.63
Florida—$15.00	
C. W. S.: Junior-Intermediate, Sebring,	15.00
Idaho—$3.50	
S. S.: Red Rose Class, Nampa,	3.50
Illinois—$194.62	
No. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, Dixon, $7.38; Mt. Morris, $53.82; Children of Lanark, $97.27,	158.47
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, Allison Prairie, $6; Children of Astoria, $11.59, Juniors of Cerro Gordo, $10.31; Junior and Intermediate Depts., Virden, $8.25,	36.15
Indiana—$615.28	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Manchester, $165; S. S.: Children of Bachelor Run, $60.11; Children of Cart Creek, $8; Children of Eel River, $30.83; Pleasant Dale, $67.81; "Willing Workers" Class, West Eel River, $3.57,	335.32
No. Dist., Cong.: Bethel, $51.29; Rock Run, $168.42; Juniors of Goshen City, $22.75; Junior Class, Middlebury, $8; Primary Dept., North Liberty, $4; Beginners Class, Pleasant Valley, $3.85; Primary Dept., Walnut, $21.65,	279.96
Iowa—$111.75	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Walnut Ridge (Prairie City),	15.75
No. Dist., S. S.: Junior & Intermediate Depts., South Waterloo,	83.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Children's Division, Salem,	13.00
Kansas—$275.54	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Boys' Class, Abilene City, $15; "Cradle Roll" Dept., Morrill, $2.25; "Helping Hand" Class, Morrill, $12; Intermediate Dept., Morrill, $35; Junior Department, Morrill, $76.25; Primary Dept., Morrill, $62.04; Mrs. Gussie McPherson's Class, Richland Center, $11.50; Sabetha, $30.50,	244.54
S. W. Dist., S. S.: Children of Larned, $11.80; Children of Larned Rural, $19.20,	31.00
Maryland—$317.84	
E. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept., Blue Ridge (Pipe Creek), $32; Children of Washington City, $250,	282.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, Pleasant View,	28.00
W. Dist., Junior League, Cherry Grove,	7.84
Michigan—$6.35	
S. S.: Junior Dept., Sugar Ridge,	6.35
Missouri—$14.47	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Juniors, Happy Hill,	5.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Two Classes, North St. Joseph,	4.14
So. Dist., Cong.: Mountain Grove (Cabool),	5.33
North Dakota—$16.00	
S. S.: "Willing Workers" Class, Ellison, $11; Primary Class, Minot, $5,	16.00
Ohio—$606.37	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Baltic, $21.05; Primary Classes, Baltic, $12.15; Junior League, Danville, $129.52; Children, E. Chippewa, $5; Olivet, $49.45,	217.17
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Children, Defiance, $41.14; "Light Bearers" Class, Marion, $8.85; Ross, $11; Primrose Div., Silver Creek, $23.87,	84.86
So. Dist., Cong.: Trotwood, $120.03; S. S.: Primary Dept., Bear Creek, $52.90; Children, Beaver Creek, $6.11; Junior League, Beaver Creek, $5; Primary, Junior & Intermediate Classes, Donnels Creek, $51.70; J. C. L. Girls Class, Ft. McKinley, $16.20; Juniors, Harris Creek, $12; Beginners Class, Poplar Grove, $7; Children, Prices Creek, $33.40,	304.34
Oklahoma—$4.75	
S. S.: Children, Washita,	4.75
Oregon—$22.07	
S. S.: Ashland,	22.07
Pennsylvania—$371.53	
E. Dist., S. S.: Harrisburg, $52.80; Hummelstown (Spring Creek), $13.15,	65.95
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Primary Class, Juniata Park, $25; Lewistown, $53.66; Junior Class, Waterside (New Enterprise), $2.52,	81.18
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Harmonyville, $15; "Truth Seekers" Class, Quakertown (Springfield), $31.25; First Philadelphia, $8.50,	54.75
So. Dist., S. S.: Three Springs (Perry), $40.60; D. V. B. S.: Waynesboro, $41,	81.60
W. Dist., S. S.: "Sunshine Band," Geiger, $6.50; Mrs. Arthur Wolford's Class, Ligonier, $3.60; Middle Creek, $36.50; Junior League, Mt. Joy, $3; Red Bank, $38.45,	88.05
Virginia—$92.82	
E. Dist., S. S.: J. Hiram, Jacob S. and Barbara R. Zigler, Belmont,	2.50
1st Dist., S. S.: Juniors, Daleville,	31.28
No. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, Unity,	2.12
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept., Bridgewater, $15.50; Junior Dept., Bridgewater, $24.52; Orlando, Jasper, and Esther Miller, Elk Run, $13.90; Dorothy Cox, Virginia Chatterbuck, and Nellie Harper, Moscow, $3,	56.92
Washington—$7.34	
S. S.: Juniors, Spokane,	7.34
Wisconsin—$22.25	
S. S.: Junior League, White Rapids,	22.25
Total for the month,	$ 2,924.40
Total previously reported,	3,108.70
	$ 6,033.10
Correction No. 24,	3.00
Total for the year,	$ 6,036.10

B. Y. P. D. FUND—1927

Illinois—$65.00	
No. Dist., Y. P. D.: First Chicago, $15; Franklin Grove, $50,	$ 65.00

Indiana—$235.93	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Manchester, $228.93; S. S.: Young People's Class, Cart Creek, $7,	235.93
Iowa—$10.00	
So. Dist., Y. P. D.: Salem,	10.00
Ohio—$66.53	
N. E. Dist., Y. P. D.: Akron,	66.53
Oregon—$7.00	
Y. P. Class, Ashland,	7.00
Pennsylvania—$618.38	
Mid. Dist., Y. P. D.: Waterside (New Enterprise),	6.60
So. Dist., S. S.: Waynesboro-Beginners Dept., $40; Evelyn Benedict's Class, $20; "Dorcas" Class, $40; Robert Fitz's Class, $16; "Light Bearers" Class, $40; Men's Bible Class, $120; Jessie Oellig's Class, $7.52; "Silent Gleaners" Class, $108.54; J. B. Stoner's Class, $30; Sister Sweger's Class, $10; Teacher Training Class, $70; W. L. Widdowson's Class, $11; "Victor" Class, $12; C. W. S.: Intermediate, Waynesboro, $40.72; Young People's $46,	611.78
Virginia—$37.60	
Sec. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Summit,	37.60
Washington—$2.40	
Y. P. D.: Omak,	2.40
Total for the month,	$ 1,042.84
Total previously reported,	1,154.71
Total for the year,	$ 2,197.55

INDIA MISSION

California—$10.00	
So. Dist., Indv.: M. Grace Miller,	$ 10.00
Florida—$9.09	
S. S.: Primary Dept., Sebring,	9.09
Illinois—$2.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. C. M. Culp (Elgin),	2.00
Iowa—$43.45	
No. Dist., S. S.: Junior Classes, Kingsley,	43.45
Kansas—$85.00	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Katie Schul (Fredonia),	10.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: First Wichita,	75.00
Pennsylvania—$82.69	
E. Dist., Cong.: Eugenia Geiman (Elizabethtown),	10.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Bellwood, $4.25; S. S.: 28th St. Altoona, $10; Rockhill (Aughwick), $5; Bellwood, $5.75,	25.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Anna Bushman's Classes, Waynesboro,	45.02
W. Dist., S. S.: Beginners Dept., Geiger,	2.67
West Virginia—$5.46	
1st Dist., Aid Soc.: Eglon,	5.46
Total for the month,	$ 237.69
Total previously reported,	1,926.92
Total for the year,	$ 2,164.61

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Florida—$10.00	
Indv.: J. E. Young,	$ 10.00
Maryland—$40.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: E. C. Bixler & Wife, (New Windsor, Pipe Creek),	40.00
Ohio—$25.00	
N. W. Dist., Aid Soc.: Pleasant View,	25.00
Total for the month,	$ 75.00
Total previously reported,	480.00
Total for the year,	$ 555.00

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Illinois—$1.81	
No. Dist., S. S.: Milledgeville,	$ 1.81
Indiana—$35.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: Fairview,	35.00
Pennsylvania—$219.04	
E. Dist., S. S.: Lititz, $74.54; Aid Soc.: White Oak, $45,	119.54
So. Dist., S. S.: Alpha Class, Carlisle, $25; Primary Class, Carlisle, $4; Junior Girls' Class, Carlisle, $3,	32.00
W. Dist., S. S.: Maple Glen, $17.50; Pike Run (Middlecreek), $20; Aid Soc.: Meyersdale, $30,	67.50
Total for the month,	$ 255.85
Total previously reported,	904.24
Total for the year,	$ 1,160.09

INDIA SHARE PLAN

California—$12.50	
No. Dist., S. S.: "I Will" Class, Empire,	$ 12.50
Indiana—$62.50	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Junior Girls' Class, Pipe Creek,	25.00
No. Dist., S. S.: "Ever Ready" Class, Turkey Creek,	37.50
Kansas—$11.46	
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Conway Springs,	11.46
Ohio—$131.25	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners Class" Springfield,	6.25
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Black Swamp,	50.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Lily Band," Pleasant Hill, $25; "Loyal Workers" Class, Poplar Grove, $25; "Good Will Circle" College St. S. S., (West Dayton), $25,	75.00
Pennsylvania—$178.73	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Snake Spring, $50; S. S.: "Willing Workers" Class, Snake Spring, $50,	100.00
S. E. Dist., S. S.: "Help One Another" Class, First Philadelphia,	25.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Sunbeam" Class, Ridge,	15.00
W. Dist., S. S.: "Missionary Helpers," Conemaugh, $10; Women's Adult Bible Class, Somerset, $28.73,	38.73
Tennessee—$70.00	
Cong.: French Broad, $25; W. H. Wine (Mountain Valley), $25; Indv.: Nicolaus Kall, $20,	70.00
Texas—$25.00	
Cong.: Manvel,	25.00
Virginia—$25.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: "Willing Workers" Class, Mill Creek,	25.00
Total for the month,	$ 516.44
Total previously reported,	4,103.12
Total for the year,	$ 4,619.56

QUINTER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

California—$5.00	
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: Covina,	$ 5.00
Total for the month,	$ 5.00
Total previously reported,	130.00
Total for the year,	$ 135.00

INDIA HOSPITALS

Kansas—$11.09	
S. W. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept., Monitor,	$ 11.09
Total for the month,	$ 11.09
Total previously reported,	90.90
Total for the year,	$ 101.99

INDIA WIDOWS' HOME

California—$5.00	
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: Covina,	$ 5.00
Total for the month,	$ 5.00
Total previously reported,	15.01
Total for the year,	$ 20.01

VYARA CHURCH BUILDING

Pennsylvania—$50.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: "Helping Hand" Class, Waynesboro,	$ 50.00
Total for the month,	$ 50.00

Total previously reported,	260.86
Total for the year, $	310.86

CHINA MISSION

Kansas—$21.09	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Katie Schul (Fredonia), $	10.00
S. W. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept., Monitor,	11.09
Pennsylvania—$26.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: J. G. Reber (Maiden Creek),	6.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Second Year Juniors, Waynesboro,	15.00
W. Dist., Cong.: J. W. Wegley (Middle Creek),	5.00
Virginia—$7.50	
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept., Middle River,	7.50
Washington—$23.00	
Cong.: Missionary Society (Wenatchee Valley),	23.00
West Virginia—$5.46	
1st Dist., Aid Soc.: Eglon,	5.46
Total for the month, $	83.05
Total previously reported,	1,689.18
Total for the year, $	1,772.23

CHINA BOYS' SCHOOL

Nebraska—$5.00	
Cong.: A Helper (Silver Lake), $	5.00
Total for the month, $	5.00
Total previously reported,	70.73
Total for the year, $	75.73

CHINA GIRLS' SCHOOL

Nebraska—$5.00	
Cong.: A Helper (Silver Lake), $	5.00
Total for the month, $	5.00
Total previously reported,	12.74
Total for the year, $	17.74

CHINA SHARE PLAN

California—$61.75	
So. Dist., S. S.: Hermosa Beach, $36.75; Inglewood, $25,	61.75
Indiana—$103.18	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Junior Boys' Class,	53.18
No. Dist., S. S.: Men's Class, First South Bend,	50.00
Maryland—$131.25	
E. Dist., S. S.: Mission Study Class, Long Green Valley, $6.25; Union Bridge (Pipe Creek), $25; Woodberry, $50; Aid Soc.: Westminster (Meadow Branch), $50,	131.25
Pennsylvania—$225.00	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Fairview,	75.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Always There" Class, Waynesboro,	150.00
Total for the month, $	521.18
Total previously reported,	1,421.09
Total for the year, $	1,942.27

CHINA HOSPITALS

Illinois—$1.51	
No. Dist., S. S.: Milledgeville, $	1.51
Total for the month, $	1.51
Total previously reported,	25.00
Total for the year, $	26.51

SWEDEN MISSION

West Virginia—$5.46	
1st Dist., Aid Soc.: Eglon, $	5.46
Total for the month, $	5.46
Total previously reported,	78.95
Total for the year, $	84.41

AFRICA MISSION

California—$28.41	
So. Dist., Cong.: First Los Angeles, $18.41; Indv.: M. Grace Miller, $10, $	28.41
Colorado—$3.15	
W. Dist., S. S.: Intermediate Boys' Class, Fruita,	3.15
Florida—$34.09	
S. S.: Primary Dept., Sebring, $9.09; C. W. S.: Senior, Sebring, $25,	34.09
Illinois—$46.83	
No. Dist., Cong.: Elgin, $21.81; Lanark, $24; S. S.: Beginners Class, Elgin, $1.02,	46.83
Indiana—$69.50	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Flora,	69.50
Iowa—$75.68	
No. Dist., S. S.: Home Dept., Greene, $25.68; Indv.: No. 103187, $50,	75.68
Kansas—$54.87	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Olathe, $22.92; Overbrook, $10.07,	32.99
N. W. Dist., S. S.: North Solomon,	11.88
S. E. Dist, Cong.: Katie Schul (Fredonia),	10.00
Maryland—$55.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: "Willing Workers" Class, Woodberry (Baltimore), $25; "Good Will" Class, Washington City, $30,	55.00
Nebraska—$40.48	
S. S.: So. Beatrice,	40.48
Ohio—$90.51	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Danville, $1; Maple Grove, $16.84; Mrs. Flora Kessler (Ashland), $5,	22.84
So. Dist., Cong.: Beaver Creek, $37.43; Prices Creek, $25.24; Junior Aid Soc., Harris Creek, $5,	67.67
Oklahoma—$5.00	
Cong.: Ellen Garst (Bartlesville),	5.00
Oregon—$15.00	
Indv.: J. A. Sheets & Wife,	15.00
Pennsylvania—$1,683.08	
E. Dist., S. S.: Junior Boys' Class, Chiques, $15; Elizabethtown, $30; "Ever Faithful" Class, Richland, $15; Elizabethtown College Bible Institute, $326,	386.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: 28th St. Altoona, $1.90; Curryville (Woodbury), $57.12,	59.02
S. E. Dist., Cong.: First Philadelphia, $125; S. S.: First Philadelphia, $21.50,	146.50
So. Dist., S. S.: A. H. Culler's Class, Waynesboro, $10.60; "Always Willing" Class, Waynesboro, $1,000; C. W. S.: Junior, Waynesboro, $22; Aid Soc.: Waynesboro, $51.96,	1,084.56
W. Dist., Cong.: Ten Mile,	7.00
Virginia—$2.00	
E. Dist., C. W. S.: Hollywood,	2.00
Washington—$25.00	
Cong.: No. 103503 (Wenatchee Valley),	25.00
West Virginia—$5.46	
1st Dist., Aid Soc.: Elglon,	5.46
Total for the month, $	2,234.06
Total previously reported,	3,779.04
Total for the year, $	6,013.10

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

Indiana—$35.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: Brick (Nettle Creek), $	35.00
Maryland—$25.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: "Live Wire" Class, Woodberry (Baltimore),	25.00
Ohio—$12.50	
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Young People's Class, Oak Grove (Rome),	12.50
Pennsylvania—$35.50	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: No. 103195 (Lewistown),	25.00
S. E. Dist., S. S.: First Philadelphia,	10.50
Total for the month, $	108.00
Total previously reported,	499.64
Total for the year, $	607.64

MINISTERIAL AND MISSIONARY RELIEF

California—$15.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: Glendora,	$ 15.00
Iowa—$30.00	
No. Dist., Indv.: No. 103187,	30.00
Total for the month,	$ 45.00
Total previously reported,	128.50
Total for the year,	$ 173.50

NEAR EAST RELIEF

Illinois—$5.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: A Sister (Milledgeville),	$ 5.00
Indiana—$21.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Marie Shively (Manchester), $2; S. S.: Delphi, $10,	12.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Amos Kinzie (Middlebury), $1; S. S.: Cleveland Union, $8,	9.00
Maryland—$38.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: Long Green Valley, $28; Aid Soc.: Grossnickle (Middletown Valley), $10,	38.00
Missouri—$4.66	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Happy Hill,	4.66
Oregon—$13.25	
S. S.: Mabel,	13.25
Pennsylvania—$267.98	
E. Dist., Cong.: Chiques, $51.50; Indian Creek, $100; Richland, $28; S. S.: Chiques, $15; Hannah Binner's Class, Midway, $5; "Character Builders" Class, Midway, $5; Elizabeth Martin's Class, Midway, $5; "Willing Workers" Class, Midway, $5; Manheim (White Oak), $38.48,	252.98
W. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Elizabeth Mills (Walnut Grove, Johnstown), $5; W. J. Hamilton (Rockwood), $10,	15.00
Virginia—$6.46	
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Barren Ridge,	6.46
Total for the month,	$ 356.35
Total previously reported,	1,732.99
Total for the year,	$ 2,089.34

ARMENIAN RELIEF

Pennsylvania—$10.00	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: James Creek,	$ 10.00
Total for the month,	$ 10.00
Total previously reported,	7.25
Total for the year,	$ 17.25

CONFERENCE BUDGET

Arkansas—$12.00	
N. W. Dist., Indv.: Mrs. Mary Babb & Daughter,	$ 12.00
California—$4.53	
No. Dist., S. S.: Patterson,	4.53
Illinois—$21.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: Elgin, $1; J. W. Lear (First Chicago), $20,	21.00
Indiana—$179.84	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Bachelor Run, $16.40; S. S.: Pleasant Dale, $31.99,	48.39
No. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Pleasant, $25.34; Plymouth, $14.61; Rock Run, $69.50,	109.45
So. Dist., Cong.: Kokomo,	22.00
Iowa—$11.80	
No. Dist., Cong.: Spring Creek,	11.80
Kansas—$20.00	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Abilene City,	20.00
New Mexico—$2.00	
Indv.: Mary Hornbaker,	2.00
Ohio—$189.52	
So. Dist., Cong.: New Carlisle, $134.79; Poplar Grove, $54.73,	189.52
Pennsylvania—$74.25	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Huntingdon,	74.25
Virginia—$503.57	
1st Dist., Cong.: Cloverdale, $50; Congregations of District, $148.46,	198.46
No. Dist., Cong.: Greenmount, $111.51; Linville Creek, $155; Unity, $20.13; Congregations of District, $18.47,	305.11
Washington—$139.55	
Cong.: Olympia, $26.30; Tacoma, $20; S. S.: Wenatchee Valley, $93.25,	$ 139.55
Total for the month,	$ 1,158.06
Total previously reported,	58,848.91
Total for the year,	$60,006.97

CONFERENCE BUDGET DESIGNATED

Indiana—$2.48	
So. Dist., Cong.: White,	$ 2.48
Pennsylvania—$38.48	
E. Dist., S. S.: Manheim (White Oak),	38.48
Total for the month,	$ 40.96
Total previously reported,	146.23
Total for the year,	$ 187.19

MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$560.50	
No. Dist., Lindsay Cong. for Dr. Ida Metzger,	$ 50.00
So. Dist., LaVerne Cong. for L. A. Blickenstaff and wife and E. D. Vaniman and wife, $344; Ira Butterbaugh (La Verne) for A. G. Buttermaugh, $116.50; Mothers' Class (La Verne) for Stephen Claire Blickenstaff, $50,	510.50
Colorado—$27.15	
E. Dist., Rocky Ford S. S. for Anna N. Crumpacker,	27.15
Idaho—$103.25	
Congs. of Idaho and W. Mont. for Dr. D. L. Horning, $35.60; for Anetta C. Mow, $67.65,	103.25
Illinois—$24.80	
No. Dist., Douglas Park (Chicago) S. S. for Kathryn Garner,	24.80
Indiana—$320.18	
No. Dist., S. S.'s for Marguerite Burke Budget and Mary Schaeffer, $173.17; Yellow Creek Y. P. D. for Clara Harper Budget, $18.01,	191.18
So. Dist., Buck Creek Cong. for Nettie B. Summer,	129.00
Iowa—$246.22	
So. Dist., English River Cong. for Nettie M. Senger, $184; No. English S. S. for Nettie M. Senger, $62.22,	246.22
Kansas—$581.55	
S. E. Dist., Parsons S. S. for Emma H. Eby,	11.65
S. W. Dist., Congs. for F. H. Crumpacker, $19.90; J. D. Yoder (Monitor) for Myrtle Pollock, $550,	589.90
Maryland—$960.00	
E. Dist., Frederick Cong. for Ethel A. Roop, $30; Women's Bible Class (Washington City), for Ethel Roop, $5,	35.00
Mid. Dist., Sunday Schools for H. P. Garner and B. F. Summer,	625.00
B. Y. P. D.'s of Maryland for Earl W. Flohr,	300.00
Michigan—$76.40	
Grand Rapids Cong. for Haven Crumpacker, $7.91; for Maurine Miller, $3.28; Primary Depts. for Haven Crumpacker, $10.78; Junior Depts. for Maurine Miller, $10.93; Sunday Schools for Dr. J. Paul Gibbel, $43.50,	76.40
Missouri—$6.25	
Mid. Dist., Happy Hill S. S. for Jennie Mohler,	6.25
Ohio—$415.51	
N. E. Dist., Owl Creek Cong. for Lola Helser,	40.51
So. Dist., Trotwood Cong. for Elizabeth Oberholtzer, $100; Bear Creek S. S. for Anna Lichty, $275,	375.00
Pennsylvania—$3,059.28	
E. Dist., S. S.'s for Kathryn Ziegler,	550.00
Mid. Dist., Albright Cong. for Olivia D. Ikenberry, $20; Huntingdon Cong. for J. M.	

Blough. $495.60,	515.60
S. E. Dist., Coventry Cong. for H. Stover Kulp,	100.00
So. Dist., Missy. Assn. (Waynesboro) for Martha D. Horning,	250.00
W. Dist., Scalp Level Cong. for Dr. H. L. Burke, $600; S. S.'s for Wm. H. Beahm, Ida Shumaker, Olive Widdowson, and Grace Clapper, $1,043.68,	1,643.68
Virginia—$1,053.69	
E. Dist., Mothers' Class, Oakton S. S. (Fairfax) for Minor M. Myers,	25.00
1st Dist., Pleasant View (Chestnut Grove) S. S. for Rebecca C. Wampler,	50.00
No. Dist., Greenmount Cong. for M. M. Myers, $50; for I. S. Long and Wife, $87.50; for F. J. Wampler, $5; S. S.'s for Dr. F. J. Wampler, $181.98,	324.48
Sec. Dist., Barren Ridge Cong. for Nora Flory, $81; Middle River Cong. for B. M. Flory, $100.68; Pleasant Valley Cong. for Edna Flory, $322.53; Middle River Aid Soc. for Wendell Flory, $50; Middle River Aid Soc. for B. M. Flory, $100,	654.21
West Virginia—$86.11	
1st Dist., Eglon Cong. for Anna B. Mow,	86.11
Total for the month,	$ 7,520.89
Total previously reported,	40.743.22
Total for the year,	$48,264.11

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MISSIONARY PROJECT WORKERS

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Middle Pennsylvania		
Altoona 28th St.	20	
Juniata Park	36	
Waterside		15
Williamsburg		20
Texas and Louisiana		
Rosepine		24
Northern Virginia		
Cooks Creek (Garber's Ch.)	7	
Cooks Creek (Pleasant Run)	10	
Mill Creek	30	
Southern Virginia		
Antioch		40
Bethlehem		25
Fraternity	18	
Boone Mill	25	
Washington		
Sunnyside		40

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GENERAL MISSION BOARD
Elgin, Ill.

Edward Ziegler, president of the United Student Volunteers, is a student in Bridgewater College, Va. In this capacity he has secured the special material for this special Student Volunteer issue of the Visitor. The editor is deeply indebted to him for the splendid material secured and for the editorial written by him.

NOTES FROM THE FIELDS

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to Vali and Nurse Wolfe to Umalla.

⁂

The Millers have assumed the duties of supervising the Boys' Boarding-school and station work in general. In spite of repeated attacks of flu and malaria they are taking up the work cheerfully and zealously.

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Miss Wolfe is taking charge of the Baby Home, as Miss Widdowson is about to proceed on her furlough.

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Miss Ziegler, as usual, is devoting the winter season to touring in the villages.

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The Lichtys, also, are privileged to give their full time to evangelistic work in the villages this winter. We have met with good response thus far in our work, and with but one exception there has been no opposition. In this one particular case the opposer was a representative of the Arya Samaj, a society which bitterly opposes the conversion of Hindus to another religion. He came into our midst where we were camping, with the hope of dissuading the candidates for baptism from embracing the Christian religion. But his efforts availed nothing. Six men and boys were baptized while their ardent opposer stood on the bank of the stream witnessing their profession of Christ. In another village thirteen were baptized, most of whom were won to Christ through the personal work of Christians of their village.

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Recently twenty-six boys of the Vali Boarding-school were baptized. On New Year's eve the Vali church enjoyed a quiet and spiritual love feast. Some of the new converts from out-stations partook of the sacred emblems for the first time. A few weeks later, in the little village of Jamoli, about sixty communicants gathered around the Lord's table.

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AMERICA

Church of the Brethren Industrial School, Geer, Va.

Bollinger, Amsey, and Florence, 1922
Finckh, Elsie, 1925
Hersch, Orville, and Mabel, 1925
Kline, Alvin, 1926
Wampler, Nelie, 1922

Dayton, Va.

Early, H. C., and Emma, 1925

In Pastoral Service

Bowman, Price, and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
Eby, E. H., and Emma, 3503 St. Joseph Ave., St. Joseph, Mo., 1927
Fahnestock, Rev., and Mrs. S. G., 1105 Haight Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
Haney, R. A., and Irva, Lonaconing, Md., 1925
Horner, W. J., and Hazel, 3122 Ellis Ave., Fort Worth, Texas, 1920
Rohrer, Ferdie, and Pearl, Jefferson, N. C., 1927
Royer, Naomi, 1059 Michigan Ave., Portland Ore., 1927
Showalter, R. K., and Florence, Rosepine, La., 1926
White, Ralph, and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923

In Evangelistic Service

Smith, Rev., and Mrs. S. Z., Sidney, Ohio

SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö, Sweden

Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

Liao Chow, Shansi, China

Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
Senger, Nettie M., 1916
Shock, Laura J., 1916

Peking, China
% No. China Language School

Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921, and Lulu, 1919

Ping Ting Chow, Shansi, China

Crumpacker, F. H., 1908
Flory, Edna R., 1917
Metzger, Minerva, 1910
Schaeffer, Mary, 1917

Show Yang, Shansi, China

Neher, Minneva J., 1924
Ulery, Ruth F., 1926

T'ung Chow, Chihli, China

Flory, Byron M., and Nora, 1917
Heisey, Walter J., and Sue, 1917
Oberholtzer, I. E., and Elizabeth, 1916
Seese, Norman A., and Anna, 1917

On Furlough

Baker, Elizabeth, 426 E. 51st St., Chicago, Ill.
Bright, J. Homer, and Minnie, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1911
Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, La Verne, Calif., 1924
Clapper, V. Grace, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1917
Cline, Mary E., Seth Low Hall, 106 Morningside Drive, New York City, 1920
Crumpacker, Anna, McPherson, Kans., 1908
Horning, Dr. D. L., and Martha, 1136 Michigan Ave., Topeka, Kans., 1919
Horning, Emma, 400 So. Homan Ave., Chicago, Ill., 1908
Hutchison, Anna, Easton, Md., 1911
Ikenberry, E. L., and Olivia, 3343 Whitney Ave., Mt. Carmel, Conn., 1922
Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater, Va., 1919
Smith, W. Harlan, and Frances, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1920
Sollenberger, O. C., and Hazel, % J. W. Coppock, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, 1919
Vaniman, Ernest D., and Susie, La Verne, Calif., 1913
Wampler, Dr. Fred J., and Rebecca, Accomac, Va., 1913

AFRICA

Garkida, Nigeria, West African, via Jos

Flohr, Earl W., and Ella, 1926
Gibbel, Dr. J. Paul, and Verda, 1926
Harper, Clara, 1926
Helser, Albert D., 1922, and Lola, 1923
Robertson, Dr. Russell L., and Bertha C., 1927
Shisler, Sara, 1926

Dille, via Jos and Maiduguri, Nigeria, West Africa

Burke, Dr. Homer L., and Marguerite, 1923
Kulp, H. Stover, 1922, and Christina, 1927

On Furlough

Mallott, Floyd, and Ruth, No. Manchester, Ind., 1924
Heckman, Clarence C., and Lucile, Polo, Ill., 1924
Beahm, Wm. M., and Esther, Elgin, Ill., % General Mission Board

INDIA

Ahwa, Dangs, India

Butterbaugh, A. G., and Bertha, 1919
Garner, H. P., and Kathryn, 1916

Anklesvar, Broach Dist., India

Grisso Lillian, 1917
Long, I. S., and Effie, 1903
Moomaw, I. W., and Mabel, 1923
Stoner, Susan L., 1927
Woods, Beulah, 1924

Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

Blickenstaff, Verna M., 1919
Cottrell, Dr. A. R., and Laura, 1913
Mohler, Jennie, 1916
Shumaker, Ida C., 1910

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

Ebbert, Ella, 1917
Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
Nickey, Dr. Barbara M., 1915
Roop, Ethel, 1926
Wolf, L. Mae, 1922

Jalalpor, Surat Dist., India

Miller, Eliza B., 1900

Vada, Thana Dist., India

Brumbaugh, Anna B., 1919
Ebey, Adam, and Alice, 1900
Kaylor, John I., 1911, and Ina, 1921
Swartz, Goldie E., 1916

Palghar, Thana Dist., India

Alley, Howard L., and Hattie, 1917

Post Umalla, via Anklesvar, India

Miller, Arthur S. B., and Jennie, 1919
Ziegler, Kathryn, 1908

Vyara, via Surat Dist., India

Brooks, Harlan J., and Ruth, 1924
Mow, Anetta, 1917

Burjor Bag, Lunsikui, Navsare, India

Mow, Baxter M., and Anna, 1923

On Furlough

Blickenstaff, Lynn A., and Mary, 129 Orange Ave., Long Beach, Calif., 1920
Blough, J. M., and Anna, 1309 Franklin, Johnstown, Pa., 1903
Hollenberg, Fred M., and Nora, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Kintner, Elizabeth, Ney, Ohio, 1919
Lichty, D. J., 1902, and Anna, 1912, Trotwood, Ohio
Miller, Sadie J., R. F. D., Waterloo, Iowa, 1903
Royer, B. Mary, Richland, Pa., 1913
Shickel, Elsie N., 2211 Orange Ave. N. W., Roanoke, Va., 1921
Shull, Chalmer, and Mary, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Summer, B. F., and Nettie, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Wagoner, J. E., and Ellen, North Manchester, Ind., 1919
Widdowson, Olive, Penn Run, Pa., 1912

Please Notice.—Postage on letters to our missionaries is 5c for each ounce or fraction thereof and 3c for each additional ounce or fraction.

SHARING

The above is the "theme" for the 1928 Conference Budget campaign if such a matter-of-fact thing as money-raising can have a theme. Every member in every congregation taking a part in raising $389,000 authorized by Hershey Conference in 1927 to be used this year by the general boards in their work means each one "sharing in our common task."

The Church Functions

The Mission Board functions in home and foreign missionary work with 145 missionaries; the Sunday School Board in religious education; the Ministerial Board in the supply and direction of the ministry; the Education Board in church-centered higher education; the Welfare Board in propagation of the ideals that distinguish our church; the Music Committee in development of better music; further, in assistance to world distribution of the Scriptures through the American Bible Society.

Your Congregation Should Function

Besides your local interests under the leadership of elder or pastor, a well-rounded program demands a right "share" in the national interests as outlined above. Just as your church knows what it will cost for minister, janitor, fuel, and light for a year, it is expected that your council will determine about what part it will take in the Annual Conference Budget.

THE CAMPAIGN IS ON NOW! Your treasurer and pastor or elder have received important plans. More is following. Talk to them about it. Pray for its success that the Lord's Kingdom interests may not lag.

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EDITORIAL

HONEST HEIRS

A maiden lady died, leaving an estate to her brothers and sisters. She had been an enthusiastic supporter of missions. She intended to make a will or give an endowment to missions. As she was not old there seemed no urgency and the matter was put off until the manner in which she should do it seemed more clear. Then a brief illness and death. Her estate was settled and her heirs, believing that she intended the church to receive generously from her estate, voluntarily gave a portion to the General Mission Board. In days when we hear of wills being broken by heirs who object to missions receiving a portion, it is refreshing to learn of heirs executing an unwritten will.

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GO AFTER YOUR MISSION MONEY

Said he: "If the mission cause is to be adequately financed the General Mission Board will have to go out after its money like everybody does these days." His words were not spoken in a pious way, but had a commercial tone. Indeed, must the Board of Missions, representing the very heart of the Gospel, now jostle with the intriguing, high-pressured, slick-tongued host of salesmen for silk stockings, vacuum cleaners, can openers, "good for what ails you" remedies and the well-nigh countless varieties of insurance?

Impossible. The givers would never stand for it. The cost of raising the money would be too high. A large percentage of the gift would be used to pay the solicitor. It would not be right. The cause of missions is a matter of heart conviction. Spontaneously, without high-pressure appeals, the Christian pours out his energy that God's children may have the Gospel. At least this is the theory and we believe it to be the truth in fact.

Yet we behold the spectacle of empty church treasuries, and good Christian people distressed because they have pledged themselves for the wares of the salesmen and now they cannot give for the spread of the Gospel.

"The Mission Board will have to go after its money" is probably more true than pleasing or right. But a solution has been found. The Every-Member Enlistment will help solve the problem. The General Mission Board, in coöperation with the other boards in the Conference Budget, designates the second week in May as a time for solicitors in each congregation to see every member, securing his gift in cash and pledges for the Conference Budget. Printed matter, helpful in conducting this solicitation, has been sent to every minister in charge of a church, to every treasurer of a congregation, and to all missionary committees of record in the Elgin headquarters. It is honorable and Christlike to make a pledge for the church. Jesus, in his prayer to the Father, pledged to go to the cross if it were the Father's will. It is a sin to make pledges for all the necessities and luxuries of life and then decline to give a pledge for missions.

This proposed every-member enlistment is the way by which the General Mission Board can actually go after the necessary mission money, and yet there shall be no expense for solicitation.

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THE TRIAL AND ERROR METHOD

A farmer planted a field in wheat last fall. The hard winter froze it out and now he has replanted in oats. He lost all his seed and the labor of planting. If he could have foreseen and saved his seed!

A minister preached a sermon on Christian living, but sent his hearers away critical and unhelped. His intentions were good, but he miscalculated his hearers and did not supply their need.

A missionary went out and spent years in zealous evangelism, only to discover that the converts slipped back for want of Christian training. Then he decided that there must be Christian schools, which were straightway established according to the best ideals of American education. The schools flourished, but eventually it was seen that they were not suited for the Indian culture and children were not properly fitted for life in India.

A famine arose and a generous man's heart was touched and he poured from his horn of plenty, only to discover that he had overdone it and made paupers of people who succumbed to weakness and continued to whine, "Please give me more."

A student volunteer was challenged with the ideal that he go to China and there become the missionary who would direct dozens of native Christians in evangelizing their countrymen. After years of hard efforts, when the Chinese Christians should have assumed the leadership they were unprepared because he had always treated them as his inferiors in organization and they did not develop strength.

For several years Annual Meeting has been approving a Conference Budget for general church work, larger than the congregations pay. The figure was continued in the hope that the members would be inspired to reach new heights. Now the resulting deficit seems to have discouraged more than it has inspired.

Students in colleges were encouraged to volunteer for the mission field. At one time more than 500 had signed the pledge card. Now, with little money, few new missionaries can be sent and volunteers feel a sense of being misled to expect missionary service abroad when foresight should have seen that all could not go.

Is the trial and error method the only way, or can we exercise a foresight that will eliminate the mistakes? We ought to develop skill of foresight which helps us to eliminate costly errors. The Psalmist tells us of God's dependability:

"The law of Jehovah is perfect, restoring the soul:
The testimony of Jehovah is sure, making wise the simple.
The precepts of Jehovah are right, rejoicing the heart:
The commandment of Jehovah is pure, enlightening the eyes.
The fear of Jehovah is clean, enduring forever:
The ordinances of Jehovah are true, and righteous altogether.
. . . . . .
In keeping them there is great reward."

Since God's Word is sure there are some things we can foresee, and it is the sacred duty of all Christian workers to strive toward definite attainments. It is possible to have a great volume of WORK, but no fruits worth the effort. God is not a magician to wave a wand and bless haphazard labors with luscious fruit.

But the trial and error method is necessary. By it progress is made. Truth cannot be discovered apart from experience. The baby makes many trials and errors in the process of learning to walk. The preacher learns by experience what type of sermons is the most helpful. If an educational program for the church had been carefully worked out before ever starting in the field of education we might have located our colleges differently, but this was not possible. The trial and error method was necessary. The General Mission Board, with all the foresight possible, must still be partially dependent on making experiments. If they bring good results the Board feels justified in continuing along proven lines.

The past is not without its errors. In a sense these are to be regretted. On the other hand, they are but stepping stones to progress. Without these experiences we would not be fitted to meet the problems of today.

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APRIL MEETING OF THE GENERAL MISSION BOARD

The Board met April 4, with Members A. P. Blough, Levi Garst, and J. B. Emmert. Neither Bro. Otho Winger nor H. H. Nye could be present, the former being in India at the time of the meeting. Bro. J. J. Yoder, former member of the Board, being in Elgin, was invited to sit with the Board and help with the discussions.

Since the support of missionaries in the different foreign fields is not the same on account of varying costs of living, the Board made arrangements by which the support of missionaries on furlough would be the same, since the cost for one missionary is the same as another on furlough.

The Board continued its committee investigating the subject of our tract literature, and asked them to present a plan of action at the next meeting.

Bro. J. E. Miller was reëlected as a member of the Gish Publishing Committee.

On account of the financial shortage in mission funds, the Board reconsidered its 1928-29 budget, which includes $15,000 for Ministerial Relief, $10,000 for church extension, and $2,000 for the Student Loan Fund. The money which was to have gone into these funds will now be turned into the World-Wide Mission Fund. As there is sufficient Ministerial Relief money to care for the needs for some little time to come, and there is no urgent need for the Student Loan Fund under present conditions, and as the building of new churches must be secondary to the carrying on of the existing programs of activity, the Board felt it expedient to make this decision.

The question of the future of the Missionary Visitor was discussed. Since the Visitor costs over $8,000 annually and is given free to donors of $4 or more for missions, the value of this expenditure was discussed. No action was taken, as the matter was referred to the next meeting of the Board.

In the light of the financial shortage, decision was made to send no new workers to the foreign field this year.

The India mission field, which has the heaviest mission program of any of our foreign fields, is being informed of the latest development of the financial situation, and the workers there are requested to systematically reduce their expenditures for the present year as far as possible. The workers are in splendid sympathy with the Board's financial problems, but we do not want them to be forced to suffer great losses in their work by too drastic a cut in their program.

Inasmuch as four families of missionaries with small children in China have been detained away from our mission stations and unable to pass through military lines to reach their work, they have been invited to return to America. The four families referred to are those of Brethren N. A. Seese, W. J. Heisey, B. M. Flory, and I. E. Oberholtzer. The future of the situation in China is such that the Board cannot forecast when the disturbed condition will be cleared. These faithful workers have tried by various means to take up their appointed work. The Board feels that the uncertainty of adequate food supply for small children, and safety for them under the present reign of revolution in China, justifies the return of these families to America. They would have been invited home sooner had not the Board held out a hope that the situation would grow more nearly normal by this time. Ten workers are now at our mission stations, but no small children are with them.

In the light of the splendid work done by Orville Hersch in the Greene County School, and our inability to send new workers to Africa this year, his resignation as appointee to Africa was accepted. Bro. Hersch will continue at Greene County.

The Board approved the principle of disavowing military protection for China missionaries. Many missionaries in China have been protected by the use of American gunboats and military forces, a principle which is in direct opposition to the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Many missionaries feel that they cannot succeed in their spiritual work until they renounce all rights or desire for such military protection. Our Board expressed approval of this principle, but is not committing any missionary to this status, as each worker has the privilege of expressing his own desire in this matter.

Missionaries from China, now in America on furlough, due to return to the field, are prevented from going. These workers have been under the support of the Board during their normal furlough periods. The Board is now asking that missionaries due to return to China, but unable to do so, should secure positions here until such a time as their return is expedient. Undoubtedly some of these missionaries can profitably assume pastorates. The missionary women in some cases could be used to good advantage in large churches where pastors need assistants.

Bro. B. F. Summer and wife, who are now on furlough, were authorized to return to India.

The resignation of Brother and Sister Fred Hollenberg from India was accepted with a vote of appreciation for their past service.

The Board at a previous meeting authorized a deputation, composed of Secretary Chas. D. Bonsack and Elder J. B. Emmert, a member of the Board to act as a deputation to Africa this fall. The Board feels the necessity of maintaining a personal touch with the foreign fields for which it is responsible. The Africa missionaries, not having had previous experience as missionaries, feel that the Board, which employs them, should have representatives from the home force to help them lay out their plans for the years to come. The deputations to other fields in past years have been criticized by some in the church who do not understand the need of members of the home Board having personal contact on the field. In the light of this situation and the present financial shortage, the Board hesitates to make the expenditure of funds necessary for a deputation unless there is a good understanding on the part of the home church. For this reason the question of the deputation will be brought to the attention of the Standing Committee at the coming La Verne Conference.

The Board approved Bro. Clarence Heckman's taking a month's course in weaving and spinning in London, en route to Africa this fall. Bro. Heckman is responsible for the industrial work in Africa. The Bura people raise cotton and it is quite important that Bro. Heckman be able to make valuable contributions in the development of their industrial work. As Bro. Heckman will pass through England en route, there will be no extra expense in transportation.

The Home Department of the Board was authorized to employ five summer workers. This is a reduction of a previous allowance for this work.

As only three members of the Board of five were present, a number of very important matters were deferred to the next meeting at La Verne, when it is hoped to have a full membership of the Board present. A number of missionaries were present in this meeting and made helpful contributions. Those present were Brother and Sister William Beahm and Clarence Heckman from Africa; Brother and Sister J. Homer Bright, Harlan Smith, Winnie Cripe, Emma Horning, and Elizabeth Baker from China; Chalmer Shull and B. F. Summer from India.—H. S. M.

NEARLY 90% OF THE CONFERENCE BUDGET IS FOR MISSIONS

The Bulsar Co-operative Bank

L. A. BLICKENSTAFF

Treasurer, the India Mission

THERE is nothing so cheering in any project as to see those whom one desires to see progress, as to find them making an honest effort to help themselves. And undoubtedly the greatest if not the only lasting economical service Christianity can give to any people is to help folks to help themselves. Missions have found out and are finding more and more that handing out gifts, without fixing upon the recipient some definite obligation, only plunges a poor man into a more distressing condition. But when a man is encouraged to stand alone and is shown a way to do so, the result is more gratifying, and it is refreshing to see how temporary props can be gradually removed and the man continue to develop legs of sufficient strength to carry him in an upright position. In order to supply just this sort of assistance, the Bulsar Christian Coöperative Bank or Society was organized. The mission furnished no capital stock, but made a substantial deposit on which the bank paid 6% interest. How satisfactory it is to report that the entire deposit has been repaid with full interest and after five years the society is in a flourishing condition, standing entirely independent of mission support. At the time of organization and for some years afterward the mission made a very definite contribution toward the management of the society. This, too, was gradually withdrawn, and after four years the small but strong institution is managed by a board of directors consisting entirely of Indians, all of whom were trained for their important positions. It is worthy of note that none of the members of the board had previous experience on boards of directors for like institutions. This society has nearly 100 shareholders, a large majority being heads of families. Almost without exception each one has been assisted in buying land, building houses, purchasing cattle, carts, grain, seed, fertilizer, and in paying off old debts.

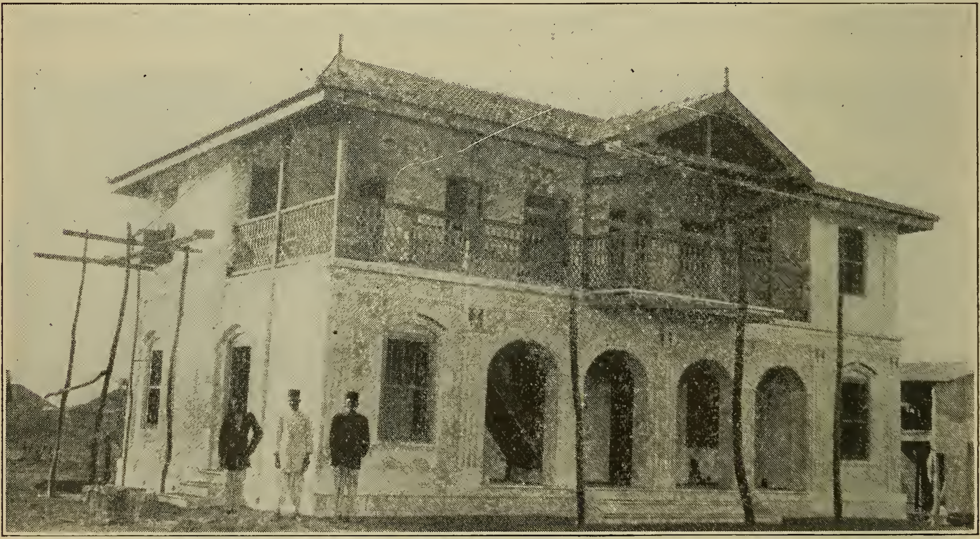
Rates of interest range in India from 10 to 500 per cent per year, and in some cases to

THE FUNDS FOR CONSTRUCTION of this house were furnished by the Bulsar Christian Coöperative Bank. A mortgage was taken to secure the money. The amount has all been repaid with interest. The owner occupies the building.

THE SECOND WEEK IN MAY IS SUGGESTED FOR THE EVERY MEMBER ENLISTMENT

THIS HOUSE BELONGS TO AN ELDER in the Church and was possible with the aid of the Bulsar Christian Coöperative Bank.

He does not occupy the property and will not for years, if ever. It is entirely rented and the income goes toward the liquidation of the debt to the Coöperative Bank. The bank holds a mortgage on this and practically all other real property on which they extend credit.



A HOUSE IN COURSE OF CONSTRUCTION, the owner of which is a building contractor. He has secured a loan from the Bulsar Christian Coöperative Credit Bank of Rs. 1,000 to assist him in financing this building project. The contractor is a fine Christian, a deacon in the church. He lives in a very small house and most likely will never occupy this fine home himself. He will sell to others more able to occupy such a home, or he will rent the house for a very fair return on his investment.

In fairness it should be pointed out that this house is not as expensive as it appears.

THE EVERY MEMBER ENLISTMENT SHOULD SECURE FROM EVERY MEMBER OF THE CHURCH A GENEROUS PLEDGE FOR THE CHURCH

A GENERAL VIEW OF SOME 22 HOUSES built by the Indian Mission and resold to worthy Christians on easy terms.

Title to the property remains in the name of the General Mission Board, Elgin, until such time as payment in full is made. Deeds already have been delivered for several of these houses.

even more unreasonable rates. Seventy-five to 150 per cent is not unusual. This society charges 9%, pays 6% on deposits and has earned nearly 30%, and pays 9% as a dividend to shareholders. A substantial surplus has been accumulated.

In another project, the mission has rendered valuable economic assistance to worthy Christians, by purchasing land, subdividing it and reselling to Christians on easy deferred payments. Six per cent interest is paid on these contracts. To people accustomed to paying exorbitant rates of interest, 6% seems too reasonable to be true. Half astonished parties to contracts have asked if some error has not been made in calculation when they were told the amount of interest due. Up to the present time the India Mission has assisted more than 75 heads of families, members of the Indian church, to purchase land, and now plans are being perfected to extend the system to many others whose only hope of any degree of independence lies in such assistance as is provided by the mission. With a very few exceptions, payments are made according to contract, and it is most encouraging to see a very marked improvement in the houses which were already on the land or in those afterward constructed by the purchaser.

It is a long look ahead to the time when the Indian people will realize any satisfactory degree of economic independence. But it is certain that none of the communities of India has made such certain progress toward economic liberty as the Christian community. Christianity should and does mean an all-round uplift, advancement, and improvement, and nothing so inspires an Indian to better living, morally, spiritually, and economically than to see within himself a growing possibility of economic freedom. No agency anywhere is doing as much to create and cultivate a desire for better living as Christianity, as manifested in its missionary projects.

MAKING A PLEDGE FOR THE CHURCH IS GOOD BUSINESS

Messengers of Friendship to Mexican Children

SIDNEY L. GULICK

THOUSANDS of young people had wonderful fun last winter in dressing and sending to Japan 12,739 beautiful "Doll Messengers of Friendship." These messengers were welcomed by millions of Japanese children in schools, at official receptions, in which mayors, governors, princes and princesses took part, and at railway stations, steamship wharves, and scores of huge department stores.

"Miss America" and her 48 State sisters were given many special welcomes. In addition to all the rest of their entertainment, they were received and spent an entire week at the imperial palace. When they left, the empress presented each little messenger with a toy and also donated a doll palace for their permanent home. This palace, enclosed in a great glass case, is in the Imperial Educational Museum in Tokyo, where for decades to come the dolls will continue to tell their story of America's friendship gesture and Japan's response.

The rest of the 12,739 little messengers have found their homes each in a separate primary school or kindergarten. Every doll festival day they will come out of their show cases, say "Mama," roll their eyes, and be hugged by new generations of Japanese school-children. "Thank-you letters," photographs and art work have been coming by the thousands to the senders of the friendship dolls. Thus waves of good-will have been rolling back and forth over the Pacific.

But this is not the end of the story. To let the American people know how happy they have been to hear the voices and to learn the stories told by the American "Messengers of Friendship," 2,610,000 Japanese school-children have joined their pennies and have sent to America 58 superb "Doll Ambassadors of Good-Will." These dolls have wardrobes of silk kimonos, beautiful jet black lacquer chests of drawers, trunks and study desks and special stationery. The dresses and possessions of several of the more important dolls are marked with their own family crests. They came to share in our Christmas festivities. After attending many receptions in Washington and New York, the little ambassadors will separate into many parties to tour our country. Communities and even individual schools which desire to see them and give them welcome receptions may communicate with the Committee on World Friendship Among Children,* which has charge of the itineraries.

New plans have recently been announced by the Committee on World Friendship Among Children. The new adventure is with Mexico. The plan is to send "Friendship School Bags" for boys and girls in the schools of our neighbor to the south. Each bag will contain articles of interest and help in the life of school children. The Mexican vice-minister of education has approved the project and will distribute the bags in the schools, of which there are about 15,000, with 1,250,000 pupils.

The bags, which will be made of durable fabrikoid, decorated with a beautiful design, are to be especially manufactured for the committee. The school or group participating in the project will add certain articles to be made or bought and will send the bag by parcel post direct to Mexico City. The bags will be officially distributed in the schools on Mexico's Independence Day, Sept. 16, 1928, which is universally observed in the public schools. The project may be undertaken and the bags sent to Mexico at any time between January and July, 1928, according to the convenience of American schools and communities.

Now that our ambassadors, Dwight W. Morrow and Charles A. Lindbergh, have started a new spirit in Mexican-American relations, these plans for Friendship School Bags give fine opportunity for scores of thousands of our young people to have a concrete and practical part in carrying forward the good-will spirit.

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* This committee was instituted in 1925 by the Commission on International Justice and Good-will of the Federal Council of Churches, of which the Rev. S. Parkes Cadman is president. The chairman of the Children's Friendship Committee is Mrs. Henry W. Peabody.

Groups of every kind, of young people and children, are invited to have a share in this adventure in international fun and friendship. Classes in public schools, Sunday-schools—in fact all kinds of groups and organizations are invited to share in the fun. It is hoped that each group will send two bags so that there will be equal numbers for boys and girls. A pamphlet giving detailed instructions and suggestions has been prepared and will be sent free (send a stamp to cover postage) to those who desire to share in the project. No one should begin work on this enterprise before the pamphlet has been secured from the Committee on World Friendship Among Children, 289 Fourth Avenue, New York.

The project aims to cultivate in American boys and girls an increased appreciation of and good-will toward the Mexican people. Culminating on Mexico's Independence Day, it also aims to reveal to the Mexican people that there is a widespread feeling of sympathy among hosts of Americans for Mexico's struggle for a better national life.

First Impressions of India

SUSAN STONER

Missionary to India

ONE who comes from the West to the East, with all the differences in custom existing between the orient and the occident, receives many new impressions. These at first stand out quite vividly, but as one becomes used to them they seem quite matter-of-fact. However, here follow a few unrelated statements of the writer's early impressions received during the first six weeks in India.

One of the first surprises to me was the fact that Bombay was located on a long, peninsular island. As a gateway to the East, the city was teeming with business. The residential section, with its many red-roofed and whitewashed houses, surrounded by green palm trees, reminded me of familiar scenes in Southern California. However, I have learned since then that one cannot judge all of India by what one sees in a limited environment, and especially by that which is found in cities largely influenced by Europeans. The thatched-roof huts with their dirt floors and simple household equipment, such as are seen in the outlying villages, reveal quite another picture.

Coming to India in the fall of the year one sees it at its best as far as climate and crops are concerned. The rice fields—little, irregularly-shaped plots of ground separated by high ridges of dirt over which there are usually well-beaten paths—make quite a pretty picture.

A variety of fruit, such as the red, yellow and green bananas, the guava, pamolo, chiku, papaya, custard-apple or sitaful, tangerine and white lime, have all been tried and approved to a more or less degree by the writer.

The first experiences in sleeping under a mosquito net, becoming acquainted with a dozen or more varieties of bugs and insects as they buzz around the lamp or lantern, or being greeted by the friendly lizard each evening as he darts out from his hiding place behind a picture on the wall to snap an insect—all help one to get acquainted with life in India. Then there comes one's first ride on the train (third class), on either a day or a night trip, or a ride in a victoria, tonga, or oxcart. Lanterns and canteens and bedding rolls are common necessities of travel equipment. The first trip to a native bazaar brings forth many reactions to the senses of sight, sound and smell. The little open-front shops have their goods displayed to the ready view of the passer-by, as well as to flies. The occasional sight of a leper sitting beside the road, begging, gives one a mingled feeling of pity and repulsion.

As the histories of the various stations were read at the Mission Conference, we recognized the untiring efforts of the early

IS A MAN A MEMBER WHO DOES NOT SUPPORT HIS CHURCH?

missionaries who opened up the work, launched out on faith, and sowed the seed which in some places is just now bearing fruit. These foundations were not entirely flawless, but on the whole they were basic. One sad note running throughout these histories was the disappointment in native leaders. There were many cases where a teacher or an evangelist, who was seemingly trustworthy and was trained to the point where he could really be of valuable service, would be found guilty of great sin and have to be removed from office. The work has suffered severely under such handicaps.

Physical inconveniences and discomforts are a small matter to the missionary compared to the agonizing hours of concern in caring for the burden of souls, dealing with sin—largely dishonesty and immorality—and trying to act wisely for the welfare of both the individual and the work. Lest this picture seem too dark, I will gladly add that the staunch Christian character of a number of the members, as they meet temptations and suffer persecution from non-Christian relatives and friends, is indeed an encouragement to the missionaries.

I am greatly impressed with the tremendous task of each missionary, whether he or she be assigned particularly to the educational, industrial, medical, or evangelistic phase of the work. Each worker has manifold opportunities for service far beyond that which he might meet in his own strength. The very nature of the work itself demands one's best, plus the resources of God's love, grace, wisdom, and strength.

One of the greatest challenges that have come to me since I have been in India was presented by a Mohammedan who teaches English in the government school for boys at Vada. Just as Miss Swartz and I were about to leave his home, after a brief visit, he said to me, "Now that you have felt the call of God to come out to India, and have been sent out by your Missionary Society or Board, what message of good tidings can you bring me?" It was so direct and seemingly sincere that I confess I was a bit surprised. With a prayer on my heart, I gave my testimony of the love of God and the saving power of the Lord Jesus Christ.

The meditative, religious folk of India present challenges which we cannot evade. Only by a sense of awareness to the leading of the Holy Spirit can we meet these great challenges.

Opportunities for Volunteers in the South

FOSTER M. BITTINGER

AS America was the land of opportunity for the oppressed of Europe, so has the South become the field of opportunity for the manufacturer and the investor. The South includes one-third of the total area of the United States and three-fifths of her coast line. It embraces 40% of her forest resources, the largest gas fields known, a coal area twice that of all Europe, and 55 million acres of reclaimable land. It produces 60% of the world's cotton. Its exports amount to five times the value of those of the Pacific Coast States. It is on the verge of a great industrial development and offers prosperity to the home builder.

To the rural social and religious worker it also offers great opportunities. There are more people living in the rural communities in the South than in any other section of the United States. It is 72% rural today. There are 250 counties in its highland region known as "the backyards of eight southern States." Here sanitation is poor and epidemics are frequent. No nurses, physicians, or hospitals are in reasonable reach. Poverty is common and severe. Illiteracy in one State is 23% for all males over 21 years of age. In the mountain sections it is much higher. Libraries are unknown. Schools are poor and roads are bad. But an awakening is coming. Will the church take advantage of this awakening movement and help these people find Christ?

The churches of the South are almost entirely Protestant and predominately rural.

A 2c STAMP EACH DAY WILL AMOUNT TO $7.30 IN A YEAR. HOW MANY STAMPS WILL YOU GIVE?

Yet only 28% of the rural population are members of some church. One community in seven does not have a church. For every seven active churches there is an abandoned one. Church programs are primarily preaching, and the circuit rider minister visits the church only once or twice a month and then stops only long enough to preach. Sunday-school lessons are taught in a lifeless way. Scholars are given no other activities to absorb their interests and energies. As a result young people are not attracted or held. The church holds only 37% of her converts. Absence of adequate leadership has caused the paralysis of the southern rural church.

The solution is a resident, capable, and consecrated leadership, and larger churches.

Of the churches with a membership under fifty, 75% are losing ground, while of those with a membership over one hundred 80% are gaining. Therefore, the smaller church must be built up and given a stronger program. It must be built up by a greater and better evangelism, by a program of religious education to hold the converts, better sanitation to give the people the health which is lacking, better roads to make church attendance possible, and consolidation in some cases practicable. This must be a part of the church program if she is to save herself.

Only permanent resident leadership can do this. Such leadership only can understand these people and gain their confidence completely, train young converts, provide a consistent year-round program, wield a telling influence in community welfare work, lift youth with understanding sympathy and patience to higher planes of living, and supply the shepherding care needed to keep older ones on right paths which are so different from those they have been traveling.

How necessary this is, an illustration will show. At a certain point in one of our mountain pastorates was a man known for the illegal manufacture and consumption of liquors, and general lawlessness. He had broken up several church services and driven from the community most of the good people, including his own parents. We tried to be a friend to him, and after months of struggle he became a Christian. Then some of his family followed his example. He became a law-abiding citizen and he and his eldest son began work on a sawmill. That family became good supporters of the church in that community and remained so during the remaining years of our stay there. But his struggle was hard. Often he told of how old friends would tempt him to drink and try his temper, for that, too, was one of his big struggles. Our talks and prayers would strengthen him. He was growing stronger. Then we left and went back to school. Within a year we got the news that he was again drinking, and in a drunken fit of rage he had shot one of his neighbors dead. He will spend the rest of his life in the penitentiary and his family will likely grow up into fatherless, lawless citizens without the church, for still no one is working that community. They, I think, have had no preaching service or Sunday-school for over two years.

Young Brethren Volunteers, does this not present a challenge to you? You are young. You can easily adapt yourself. You can build a church and community welfare program that will bring the " more abundant life " to many. Will you?

Browntown, Va.

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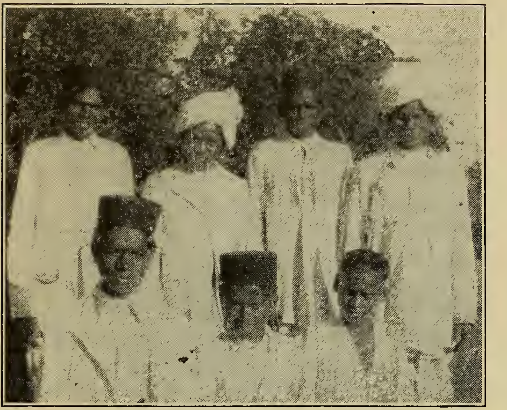
TO ISOLATED MEMBERS

Many members for occupational reasons are prevented from living within the boundaries of a local congregation. The missionary appeal that comes to the congregations does not reach isolated members except by the printed page. During the second week in May a large number of the churches will be having an every-member solicitation for the Conference Offering. Some will receive pledges to be paid throughout the coming year. We extend this notice to all members to make your contribution direct through the church where you hold your membership or direct to The Council of Promotion, Elgin, Ill. If you send it direct to Elgin give the name of your local church and it will receive credit.

Raimal Writes a Letter



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RAIMAL SHIVALAL (marked X) with five recent converts in his village. The old man with the white turban in the back row standing second from the left is Raimal's father.
This picture was taken quite recently while the letter was written more than a year ago. Raimal has proven himself a faithful witness and the picture shows others who have been led to Christ.

Note: This is a literal translation of a Gujarati letter written by one of our Vali boarding boys while at home during his summer vacation to his missionary teacher. The translation from Gujarati into English was made by one of our Indian girls who has studied English. From the Church of the Brethren Mission to India.

Most respected Saheb at Vali:

Moreover, accept humble greetings from a student of fifth standard, namely, Raimal Shivalal. Some men from my village want to become Christian, therefore please be kind to baptize them so that our village may be reformed. It is my prayer that my village may be happy in the future. If two or three men will be baptized, then seeing them the others will be baptized also, and I hope that they will enter in our true religion. When I came on vacation I read from my Bible and people came to hear, and I also explained to them. I read before them the 115th Psalm and explained to them as the Lord gave me understanding, without shame and with boldness without confusion. They also bore witness that the Christian religion is a true religion and that they worship idols and spend money after them, but do not get any profit. I am very glad that some men are considering to give up the drinking of liquor. And I know that gradually the liquor will be destroyed and the men will come in our religion.

When I came on vacation many temptations came to me, but I asked help from the Lord and he removed the temptation from me. Some men told me to drink liquor, but I did not drink it. They tempted me to smoke bidi, but I explained to them that I have abandoned drinking liquor and smoking bidi, so you also abandon it and worship the Lord, who is a true Teacher, and he will always cure your diseases.

Yet I have not so much understanding that I can answer all their questions, but I explain to them as much as the Lord gives me. They are so eager that they themselves come to me to hear, and I tell them some stories from the Bible, such as the giving the sight to the blind, and I explain to them such other stories. May God give me understanding to explain to them, and may the Lord send his Holy Spirit on these repenting men.

I am your obedient student,
Sanklia. Raimal Shivalal.

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MISSIONARY PROJECT WORKERS

Enrollments for the 1928 Missionary Projects by the children and young people. The former are providing money for the India Medical Work and the latter for the India Evangelistic Efforts. These enrollments were received by the General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., from March 13 to April 10. Many more groups of workers are needed. Previous enrollments were published in the April Visitor.

Congregation	J. C. L.	B. Y. P. D.
Northern California		
Reedley	12	
Northern Illinois		
Lanark		40
Milledgeville		15
Shannon		11
Southern Illinois		
Springfield	18	
Woodland		30
Middle Indiana		
Pleasant View	30	
Spring Creek		20
Northern Indiana		
Nappanee	45	
South Bend (First)	25	
Southern Indiana		
Anderson		25
White	15	
Middle Iowa		
Garrison	13	15
Northern Iowa and Minnesota		
Spring Creek	18	

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INDIA

Bulsar

Jennie E. Mohler

For the first time in fourteen years Bulsar and surrounding villages are infected with bubonic plague, and in a virulent form. About ninety per cent of the cases have proved fatal and most of them in only a few days' time. The plague has spread to surrounding villages and has come near the mission. Some dead rats were found in buildings occupied by the boys' school and hostel, and also in the buildings occupied by the Widows' Home. The boys were moved out into the Bible School buildings which were not in use at the time for Bible School, and the widows were moved into some of the hospital rooms, temporarily. Recently the boys were given their regular annual examinations and school closed for the summer vacation, though about two months early. All the boys who had homes were sent there, and only a few remain. Provisions are being made to take care of those elsewhere. A few weeks ago one of our Christian women died of the plague. She was the mother of three children. She had not taken the antitoxin which most of them had used. At the present another Christian, the mother of three children, is very low of the same disease and pneumonia combined, her recovery being very doubtful. She had been inoculated against it, or she would not have survived until the present time. Many of the people have moved out of the bazar into grass huts built along the road sides and in open fields, to escape the rats which carry the disease. Some of the Christian people also have moved out of their homes. People from other towns and railway stations are afraid to come to Bulsar because of the plague, so the number of cases in the dispensary from outside towns is less. Up to date almost 1,000 persons have been inoculated here in our dispensary against it, and others are still coming. The railway and government doctors also have inoculated large numbers of people. We are almost entirely surrounded by the disease and yet we do not fear. We have done all we know to do as prophylaxis, so we leave the results to Him. Last year it was smallpox, and we were all spared from infection. Government supplies vaccines for these diseases, which can be had for a nominal cost. Most of the Christian people came and took it on the announcement that it was available, without any urging.

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In January the Girls' Boarding-School at Khergam celebrated its first birthday with a program of thanksgiving and celebrations suitable to the occasion. This work has grown and prospered beyond expectations, and is met with approval by most of the people for whom it is intended in the territory in which it is located. We expect great results from the work in this school and the corresponding boys' school at Wankel, only six miles distant. The Christians in the Khergam District are now asking that they be allowed to form a separate church organization and be independent financially as well as otherwise. This is one request that is to go up to District Meeting for permission.

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The committees of Indian men who have been given responsibility of management of the Bulsar and Wankel boys' schools are proving their ability to manage what has been given them to do. There is a separate committee for each school, and both are much concerned and feel their responsibility. They have had the management of these schools for about three months and have proved in that time the wisdom of giving them over into their hands. They are all capable men and we feel the schools will make progress in their hands. They are trying to devise ways and means of economizing in finances as well as to improve in efficiency in the teaching and the hostel management.

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CHINA—FEBRUARY

Brethren Oberholtzer and Heisey, together wth some of our American Board friends, are making another attempt to get into Shansi. Today's mail (March 10) brings word that they left the railroad this side of Shihchiachuang and are attempting to go across country from there. It will be a long, hard trip, but they will likely succeed if they are not held up when they reach the Fengtien-Shansi lines.

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We were all saddened last week by the passing of Liu Fu Jung. He was taken sick last October while attending Yenching College, with miliary T. B. He was our only college student and was to graduate in June. A simple but appropriate funeral was held for him at Yenching and he was buried in the school cemetery. He was unusually capable and well liked. We had counted much on his help during these reconstruction days, but God has called him to higher service.

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Miss Flory sends the following report of the work of the Pingting Hospital for 1927: The hospital was handicapped the past year because of a shortage of doctors. Dr. Horning went on furlough in March. Dr. Chang also left about that time, his year being up. Dr. Hsu Wen Chih came to us the first of April and it was the intention to have two doctors in the Pingting Hospital last year, but when we foreigners were called out to the coast Dr. C. C. Wang also left, leaving Dr. Hsu all alone with the work. Dr. Hsu was called home twice. In July he was home several weeks because of his mother's illness, and on the 23rd of September he was called home because of her death, and on account of bad railroad conditions he did not get back until the last of November. During that time Dr. Wang of Liao was with us about four weeks. Drs. Hsu and Coffman came in to Shansi together the last of November. Dr. Coffman was with us here until last week, when he went to Liao, where he expects to begin country work soon.

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In spite of this handicap the total number treated during the year was 9,096. Of these, 1,363 were first calls in dispensary and 6.784 were return calls; 949 were regular patients in the hospital; 130 of them were surgical cases.

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Since Jan. 1 to Feb. 12 we have had 8 obstetric cases, two being Cæsarian sections. Both made a remarkable recovery, notwithstanding both had active T. B. of the lungs.

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The four nurses who took the N. A. C. examinations passed. We had their graduation exercises in January. They were very anxious to know if they had passed, for they thought that if one of them should fail he would lose a lot of "face." All of the juniors who took the first part of the N. A. C. examination also passed. At present the Nurses' Training School has seven boy and four girl nurses. At a recent staff meeting it was decided to take on new nurses the first of August, three girls and one boy.

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Shou Yang

The Annual Meeting of the Church of the Brethren in China was held at Shou Yang, Feb. 3 and 4. In spite of zero weather, there was a good attendance by all the delegates. A most splendid spirit pervaded the whole of the meeting, and it brought joy to the hearts of the missionaries present to see the zest and interest with which our Chinese brethren tackled and handled the business in hand. The day previous to the opening of the meeting proper was given over to meetings of the general committees, and they handled very important matters in a most creditable way. Some of our senior missionaries remarked about the change which has come about in the Chinese church in the last few years. Formerly it was the missionary who took the lead in the meetings; it was the missionary who did most of the talking and who really decided things, but you would need only to have listened in on our Shou Yang meeting to realize that a new day is on in our mission. It is the Chinese who are wrestling with the problems now. It is they who are really shouldering the burden. The experiences of the past year have ushered in a new era. We praise God for it. Let us keep back of this young growing church which our prayers, money and life have planted here. Let us not be too disappointed if sometimes in her inexperience she makes mistakes, or if sometimes she may differ a bit from the ways of her mother church.

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The week Feb. 13-18 was observed as evangelistic week by our Shou Yang evangelists. It was a bit delayed, as evangelistic week proper came just at the time we were in the midst of our Annual Meeting. The delay cut down the number of volunteers, as the opening of school made it impossible for the teachers or students to assist in the work as they have in other years. The flu epidemic further lessened our numbers, so that the actual number of women who were able to help in telling the Good News was only four to six each day, while among the men the number was smaller, yet having only one to four. In spite of the fact that our workers were few the women were able to touch ten villages during the week, besides getting into a number of the local homes. This year posters and pamphlets using the common Chinese couplets (which are pasted upon the door posts at the Chinese New Year to insure happiness and prosperity throughout the year) as subjects to teach the true source of happiness, peace, and prosperity, were used very effectively.

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AFRICA

Garkida

Lola Helser

The year closed with an enrollment of eighty-five in the boys' school. Due to some of the missionary staff being on furlough, the more advanced boys who have reached only the fifth grade need to be used in the teaching of many of the beginning classes. Considering their lack of experience and their short period of training they do commendable work. Some thirty of the schoolboys are from across the river in territory which is as yet closed to the Gospel. Were it not for this splendid group of boys in school there would be no direct evangelistic effort in all that territory.

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January 6 was a day of rebirths and a birth at Garkida. On that day Jane Vena Robertson came to cheer the home of her parents. Nine splendid young men were received into the church by baptism after having received the usual course of instruction. Some twenty other boys are looking forward to taking this step. The four boys who were baptized in June, 1927, have been faithfully trying to live and preach the Gospel. Two of the four are in Christian service at Dille. Two of the nine are at Gardemna and one at Dille.

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The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

Missionary News

Russia Permits Bible Printing

The Russian Soviet Government, which officially recognizes no religion and no God, has given permission to the All-Russian Evangelical Christian Union to print Bibles in the Russian language. (This was denied by previous Russian governments.)

The Soviet government now gives a very nice piece of land in the heart of the city of Leningrad on which its native evangelical Christians may build a large Bible college or institute, provided American Christians will help them obtain sufficient money to erect the building within a specified time.

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An Indian Moderates District Meeting

Bro. J. M. Blough, writing from India, tells of the spring mission conference held at Anklesvar. The meeting was to have been held at Bulsar, but on account of the severity of the plague, the meeting was moved to Anklesvar.

He reports that Bro. Otho Winger, president of the General Mission Board, was with them and gave helpful, encouraging talks.

An outstanding event of this meeting was the fact that Rev. Govindji Satvedi moderated the meeting. He is the first Indian to moderate a District meeting in our mission. It is a landmark in history for which Bro. Blough writes, "We praise the Lord." Bro. Satvedi was an orphan, taken into the mission in the days of Bro. McCann, and has risen from a lowly state to a genuine Christian leader.

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Famine in China

The famine in China, due to three years of drouth and prolonged civil war and bad government, has brought 4,000,000 people in Western Shantung Province to the point of starvation. Nine-tenths of the population are reported to be eating unwholesome food substitutes. Men have abandoned their homes and gone to Manchuria in search of work. Children are being offered for sale; boys of six selling, in some instances, for twelve silver dollars, the equivalent of $5, American money.

As yet the Church of the Brethren has not established a relief campaign, but funds for relief will be received by the General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., and properly administered through channels that are being arranged.

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Sees Japan Becoming Christian

"Japan is becoming a Christian nation, slowly but surely," says the Rev. T. T. Brumbaugh, missionary in the city of Sapporo. "The final product may not be just like an American Methodist, a German Lutheran, or a French Catholic, but lives are coming under the influence of Jesus' spirit, and a nation's thoughts and conduct are being molded along Christian lines. Witness the strong present agitation in Japan to abolish licensed vice and its attendant evils; consider Japan's delegates revealing the desires of their people at the Geneva Disarmament Conference. 'We labor not in vain in the Lord.'"

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Plan to Make Shrine of Livingstone's Birthplace

A movement to acquire the birthplace of David Livingstone on the banks of the Clyde at Blantyre, not far from Glasgow, and to make it a shrine and center of missionary education and inspiration, has been organized in Scotland, and is spreading throughout the Christian world. Near the early home of Livingstone there still stand the school where he received the rudiments of education and the cotton mill where, at the age of ten, he made intimate acquaintance with hard work. Circumstances have made it possible to purchase now the house where he was reared and the adjoining wooded park and river bank where he played as a boy. The house has fallen into disrepair and is threatened with demolition.

It is proposed to restore the house to its original state and make some necessary changes in it and in the house that adjoins it. When completed the edifice will form a home for personal relics of Livingstone.

For the purchase and repair of the property about $35,000 is required; and an endowment of about $25,000 is considered necessary for maintenance. It is believed that American Christians will want to make some contribution.

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The Thrill in Missions

May this little portion of His, I am sending you, be used for His glory.

I was well pleased to know that what I sent you before went as a light to China.

How my soul rejoices to hear how footbinding was so prevalent in China, but now is prohibited!

It is thrilling to me to know, how Christianity does lift downtrodden women to their rightful place and causes righteousness to dwell in the hearts of men and women of every race and nation.

A California Member.

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Indianapolis B. Y. P. D. Set Goal at $75

After the Sharing Christ With India project was presented to the Indianapolis young people, they took steps immediately to insure success. One of their enthusiastic members, F. A. McGuire, agreed if the class would raise $50 before June 1 he would add $25 to it. So their goal is $75. While the young people of the Indianapolis church do not possess a great wealth, they are liberal and enjoy taking up this work.

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Shares in Home Missions

The Share Plan of Support of Missions which has been so successful for foreign missions is now in use for Home Missions also. The first subscriber is Mrs. Blanche Marquiss of the Okaw congregation, Southern Illinois. She subscribed for a share of $50.

By this plan the amount of $50 is paid annually for a period of five years, at which time the certificate to each share subscriber will have on it five seals indicating the completion of the task.

As the Home Mission Share plan is in its beginnings, many subscribers are needed. Shares will be issued in amounts from $25 up.

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The Missionary Character of Christianity Lecture

At the beginnig of our services last evening, I told the audience that I felt that each new set of slides made up by the Mission Board was better than the preceding one, and I am sure they felt the same way after seeing the new set, "The Missionary Character of Christianity." I want to congratulate you for your accomplishment and hope you will continue to get out additional sets of slides from time to time. I think we have now used every different subject that you have; also additional slides from elsewhere, but I find we appreciate most those made up by our Mission Board. With personal regards, I am,

A Brother in Southern Ohio.

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Training Schools for Pastors

The Home Missions Council, being the coöperative body for many Protestant denominations, is providing summer schools for pastors in town and country fields. One of these schools was held at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn., April 9-20. Five of our pastors in the southern field attended. They are: E. F. Sherfy and Walter Kahle, both of Daleville, Va.; Russell Showalter, Rosepine, La.; Ralph White, Johnson City, Tenn.; and Foster Bittinger, Browntown Mission, Va.

Among the courses offered in this school are: Rural Sociology; Agricultural Economics; Rural Church Methods and Program; Rural Leadership; Evangelism; Community Surveys and Organization; Religious Education; Coöperative Marketing; Religious Dramatics; The Family; The Farm Home; Country Life Aspects of the Bible; The Rural Young People; Rural Church

Administration; Rural Human Relations; Bible Study; Song Leadership.

Other schools are held as follows: Kansas State Agricultural College, Manhattan, Kans., June 11-28; Pacific School of Religion, Berkeley, Calif., June 4-15; Pastors' Summer School, June 18-29, at Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio; summer conferences for country and town ministers, Sept. 3-14, Washington College, Chestertown, Md.

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Los Angeles World Sunday School Convention

Aside from the general program for the tenth convention of the World's Sunday School Association, to be held at Los Angeles, July 11-18, with its outstanding speakers from many nations, a number of special features are being arranged which will add much to the value of the convention. A conference of officials will be conducted July 9-10. On three mornings during the convention, seven seminar groups, limited to approximately one hundred persons each, will study intensively the technique of modern religious education. Half the enrollment for each group will be for delegates outside the United States. At the same time, four simultaneous sessions of a popular nature will be held dealing with the three age groups of the Sunday-school and a fourth group with administrative workers, including pastors and superintendents.

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Well-Attended Sunday School Institutes in Korea

Under the auspices of the Korea Sunday School Association, which is a unit of the World's Sunday School Association, conventions and institutes are held throughout that nation. Five hundred and sixty-five delegates were enrolled from the North Pyeng An Province when the convention met recently at Shinweiju. In addition a number came as guests from other provinces, making the total enrollment over 600. The secretaries of the Korea Association—Rev. J. G. Holdcroft, D. D., and Rev. James K. Chung—were among the instructors.

Special features were a musical evening and some most enlightening addresses on temperance. Over 2,000 people assembled for the general meetings each night.

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A PRAYER

Stir me, oh, stir me, Lord—I care not how,
But stir my heart in passion for the world;
Stir me to give, to go, but most to pray.
Stir till the blood-red banner be unfurled
O'er lands that still in heathen darkness lie,
O'er deserts where no cross is lifted high!

Stir me, oh, stir me, Lord, till all my heart
Is filled with strong compassion for these souls,
Till thy compelling MUST drives me to pray,
Till thy constraining love reach to the poles.
Far north and south, in burning deep desires,
Till East and West are caught in Love's great fires.

Stir me, oh, stir me, Lord, till prayer is pain,
Till prayer is joy—till prayer turns into praise;
Stir me till heart and will and mind, yea, all
Is wholly thine to use through all the days!
Stir till I learn to pray "exceedingly";
Stir till I learn to wait expectingly.

Stir me, oh, stir me, Lord, thy heart was stirred
By love's intensest fire, till thou didst give
Thine only Son, thy best beloved One,
E'en to the dreadful cross, that I might live.
Stir me to give myself so back to thee
That thou canst give thyself again through me!

Stir me, oh stir me, Lord, for I can see
Thy glorious triumph day begin to break:
The dawn already gilds the eastern sky;
O Church of Christ, awake! Awake!
Oh, stir us, Lord, as heralds of that day!
For night is past—our King is on his way!

—Anonymous.

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AFTERWARD

They tell me I must bruise
The rose's leaf,
Ere I can keep and use
Its fragrance brief.

They tell me I must break
The skylark's heart,
Ere her cage song will make
The silence start.

They tell me love must bleed,
And friendship weep,
Ere in my deepest need
I touch that deep.

Must it be always so
With precious things?

Must they be bruised and go
With beaten wings?

Ah, yes! By crushing days,
By caging nights, by scar
Of thorn and stony ways,
These blessings are!
—Author Unknown.

WHAT IS MY SHARE OF THE MISSIONARY ENTERPRISE?

1 Thessalonians 1: 1-10

My share may be

M—oney.

The Romans worshiped their standard, and the Roman standard happened to be an eagle. Our standard is only one-tenth of an eagle—a dollar—but we make it even by adoring it with tenfold devotion.

Y—ielding my life for the cause.

After the Mexican war Melinda Rankin tried in vain to rouse the churches of the United States to send missionaries to Mexico. At last she exclaimed:

"God helping me, I'll go myself!"

S—upporting a missionary.

An English lady gave liberally for the support of a missionary in India. When the two met the missionary expressed great appreciation for the help she had received. But the lady, with an earnest look, said:

"You are under no more obligation to go and teach the women of India than I am."

H—earing the cry of heathendom, if I can not heed it get others to do so!

"Paint a starless sky; hang your picture with night; drape your mountains with far-reaching vistas of darkness; darken all the past; let the future be draped in deeper and yet deeper night; fill this gloom with sad-faced men, women and children crying for light!" That is the cry of heathendom.

A—dvocating the giving of one-tenth of one's income to the Lord's work.

Did you know that every Mormon who joins the church is pledged to give one-tenth of his income for the spread of Mormonism? Thus the authorities have plenty of means to make Mormonism such a menace against which the Christian forces have to contend.

R—aising money for missions.

A miserly man was asked how much of his income he would give for God's work. He replied:

"What I give is nothing to nobody!"

Because this man has numerous relatives, raising money for missions is not an easy job.

E—ncouraging missionaries on the field by our letters; enlarging our own vision of the world's needs by reading and study; extending a helping hand to "the heathen at our door."—Mrs. Ida Q. Moultin, in Record of Christian Work.

VISITOR QUESTIONS

These questions and answers may be used with profit in the Sunday-school, in a class meeting or at some other gathering:

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The Women's Department

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Women and Stewardship

"Stewardship is an obligation to live life at its best in order to make the kingdom of God a reality here and now."

Stewardship in Service

Paul says, "Whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God." Nothing is gained and much time and talent lost by complaining that we have not the right tools; our duty lies in using well the tools we have. That with which a woman is most dexterous is the tool with which the steward should start to work. It may be the pen or the paint brush, the clinical thermometer, or the kitchen utensils, or that tiniest of all tools, the bright, shining needle, which since the days of Dorcas has ministered to the kingdom in thousands of women's societies. The slogan of one of the large missionary movements expresses tersely the call to Christian stewardship: "Rearrange your life activities in the light of the great commission." What a change this rearrangement brings about! One woman who has a beautiful car, recognizing her stewardship, now uses her car as a tool of Christian service almost every day. Ask God to use you and surely the way will be opened.

Stewardship in Child Training

The mother in the home should not only herself be conscious of God's ownership of all, but she should train the children to recognize this principle as one of the fundamentals, a primary truth underlying all Christian living. When once God's ownership of all has firmly taken root, it is not a very long step to the recognition of the fact that men and women, boys and girls, are stewards and are accountable to God for all that they have and all that they do.

"As the twig is bent, so is the tree inclined," and the future men and women of Christian lands will be "inclined" largely in accordance with the "bending" done by mother's hand.

Money: Opportunity and Obligation

The subject of money is not one to be avoided when talking of spiritual things. Money is here in our midst; we handle it every day and we must take it into consideration in the planning of our lives. It needs to be set in its proper place, and it has a very important place. Possessions should become a help to the building of the kingdom, instead of a hindrance.

Today, as never before, the women are handling the money of the world. The editor of a popular business publication states that, after a long investigation, he has come to the conclusion that the women are the spenders of the nation. They buy 76 per cent of all the merchandise in the shops. They buy for themselves, for the children, and for the home. Woman faces grave responsibilities in the spending of the family income. We are living in an extravagant age, and Christians should set an example in reasonableness. Saving is a real part in the stewardship obligation. The Christian steward will decide first of all just what the **Giving** proportion shall be and then regulate the **Living** and **Saving** accordingly. The reason for this is that "honor the Lord with the first fruits" is the stewardship law. The Christian will desire to set aside at least a tenth to begin with, unless she feels sure that God has set another ratio for her. Bishop Quayle has said, "The tenth is a good place to start. It is no place to stop." Women who for years have practiced the setting aside of a fixed proportion for the kingdom testify that the remainder somehow goes just as far (if not farther) as the whole in meeting the daily needs. No one need have any fear of wanting any good thing because of having given into God's treasury.

Stewardship of Acknowledgment

The sacrificial gifts of time, the offering of money, the exercise of prayer—these three measure the genuineness of the Christian's love for the Master. One of the best ways for a woman to make sure that her day will be well spent is to make out a time budget. This was tried by a group of women and it proved a very illuminating experience, showing a great waste of hours which were lost forever. The dedication of both time and money is needed. A farmer's wife began by tithing her eggs. With this money she was able in time to pay for the support of a Bible woman in India. Some women decided they would be "garment givers." Of every sum of money set aside for clothing, one-tenth was set aside for the Lord. If twenty-five dollars was paid for a gown, two dollars and a half was set aside.

No life can be fully consecrated unless time is given to the stewardship of prayer. Jesus said, "Without me ye can do nothing." In order to pray for others, we must be interested in others; and interest in others is, of course, a prerequisite of stewardship. We need never try to carry out God's program in our own feeble strength; we have the power of the Almighty to depend upon.—Extracts from Woman and Stewardship.

MISSION PROJECTS OF AID SOCIETIES, CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN, IN THE ORDER OF THEIR UNDERTAKING

1. Began in 1915. Quinter Memorial Hospital (entire project not yet completed).
   Amount raised $13,471.91
   Amount spent on project 6,900.00
   Balance available for future developments 6,571.91
2. Began in 1920. Goal, $24,000. One-half for Anklesvar Girls' School building; one-half for Ping Ting Hospital Administration building
   Amount raised, about 25,000.00
3. Began in 1922. Goal, $35,000; three-year project. Greene County, Virginia, Industrial School.
   Amount raised 35,424.07
4. Began in 1925. Goal, $12,000; two-year project. Ruth Royer Kulp Memorial Hospital in Africa.
   Amount raised 12,274.76
5. Began in 1927. Goal, $15,000; three-year project. India Hospital Fund.

MISSIONARY MOTHER'S DAY

May brings Mother's Day. Why not have a special program on missionary mothers on Sunday, or some other day, of the first week in May? The whole church would be interested in such a program. Appropriate Bible lessons would be on Mary, the mother of our Lord, or Hannah, who loaned her child to the Lord.

The story of Monica, a missionary mother of the early church, may be given as a monologue. William Carey looked back to the time when as a little boy, he counted his mother's sympathetic interest one of his greatest sources of inspiration. During the long winter evenings, in a quiet Scottish home, a mother talked with her boy about the people who had never heard of God. Years afterward the mother sat alone in that home, reading the letters from her son, Robert Moffat, the pioneer missionary to Africa. From any good life of David Livingstone, get word pictures of the home at Blantyre. Tell of the abiding influence of his mother in the life of the great missionary explorer. Other stories of missionary mothes of early or modern times may be told.

If there are any mothers of missionaries in the community they should be special guests. Other features will suggest themselves to leaders.

BIRTHDAYS OF OUR WOMEN MISSIONARIES

"Now I beseech you . . . that ye strive together with me in your prayers to God for me."

June

2—Edna R. Flory, China.
6—Mrs. Hattie Alley, India.
18—Mrs. Bertha Butterbaugh, India.
29—Mrs. Mary Blickenstaff, India.
Elsie Shickel, India.
30—Mrs. Marie Brubaker, China, now on furlough.

July

3—Jennie Mohler, India.
4—Mrs. Hazel Sollenberger, China, now on furlough.
7—Mrs. Martha Horning, China, now on furlough.
27—Mrs. Nettie Summer, India, now on furlough.
28—Beulah Woods, India.

29—Goldie Swartz, India.
31—Mrs. Anna Mow, India.

August

4—Laura Shock, China.
7—Ida Buckingham, Sweden.
10—Lucille Heckman, Africa, now on furlough.
13—Myrtle Pollock, China.
20—Mrs. Bertha Robertson, Africa.
26—Mrs. Sarah Myers, China—now on furlough.
30—B. Mary Royer, India.

Pray for our missionaries.

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SUGGESTIONS FOR "THE STORY OF MISSIONS"

Devotions—Isa. 54: 2 is the text from which Carey preached the epoch-making sermon that aroused a meeting of English Baptists to take definite steps toward planning a foreign mission organization, and so led the way to the vast foreign missionary work of England and America. Isa. 52: 7-10; 40: 3-5; 42: 1-16 would be appropriate.

The Map. The map should show who the pioneers in each land were and when they began their work. In some prominent way all lands occupied by Christianity should stand out, leaving visible those areas still unreached. Places where famous missionaries worked may be shown.

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THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN

"The twelve were with Jesus and certain women whom he had delivered from . . . various diseases . . . Joanna, the wife of Chuza, Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many other women, all of whom contributed to the support of Jesus and his apostles" (Luke 8: 1-3).

Note: From Weymouth's translation.

ANGEL FOOD FOR SWINE. One man hauls five truck loads weekly of second day pastry from Chicago to feed the hogs. Cakes and doughnuts comprise this load of 3400 pounds. We American people demand strictly fresh bread. The baker charges enough to offset his loss and Christian people pay the bill. Pretty hard to convince missionaries and native Christians that a decline in mission funds is due to hard times!

THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY

Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

SPRING IN MOCCASINS

Adaline Hohf Beery

Blossoms burst and cow-bells tinkle,
Robins twitter, "Can't catch me!"
Stars throw kisses as they twinkle
Thro' the rustling maple tree.

Dogs are racing, clear brooks babble,
Bees are swarming round the hive;
Barefoot children splash and dabble,
Shouting, "Everything's alive!"

Shady paths lead thro' the timber
To the white church, steeple-crowned;
Necks and knees grow strangely limber,
At its altar gathered round.

Hills and valleys bloom not only—
Hearts swell up like fragrant May!
There's no reason to be lonely
When we play with God all day!

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WATERLOOERS WINDING UP

Enclosed find a snapshot of the Junior Department of South Waterloo Sunday-school. Three teachers at left back are H. H. Harbaugh, Mrs. Dorthy Paris, Mrs. Simon Saylor. Next Mrs. S. M. Harbaugh, missionary superintendent, last, Mrs. Robert Lichty, superintendent Junior department. I am enclosing a check for $13.50, the last of the Junior and Intermediate money for Black Brothers for 1927. Hope we can do more for India next year.

Waterloo, Iowa. Mrs. S. M. Harbaugh.

South Waterloo Sprinters Hand in Another Check for Their African Brothers

Read on page 140 the letter Raimal wrote. It is a good message for all the Junior Church League workers for India. Then read on the same page the names of new groups enrolling during the past month. Hundreds of new groups with thousands of workers are needed to carry out the 1928 plans for India's Medical Work. Send for a leaflet explaining the children's missionary project. Address General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill.

HO FOR INDIA!

This morning we started out our children on their work for India. Instead of the sermon, as usual, our pastor gave us the time to put on a program. It was led by an Intermediate boy, and the parts were given by Intermediates and Junior Young People. It was gleaned entirely from "The Junior League Brings Health to India." At the close each child present was given a "Beehive" coin collector in which to put their money for India. Most of the 125 collectors were taken, and the rest will be. The children are always enthusiastic about their boxes. The J. C. L. buttons will also arouse interest. At the close of the program one good brother with gray hairs said he would like one of those beehives to put in some of the pennies, etc., that collect and get in his way. He also urged others to do the same. Effie Metzger.

Strathmore, Calif., Feb. 26, 1928.

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ARE WE LIKE JIMMY?

It was pouring rain and auntie was getting short of stories. "Let's play church," said Jimmy. They put a chair for a pulpit. Jimmy said he ought to be the minister because he knew the most texts. They sang a hymn with great enthusiasm. Then Jimmy mounted the platform. "My text this afternoon is, 'Do unto others as you—'" "O Jimmy, you can't have that. You know you took my ball away from me today."

"Never mind. My text is, 'Judge not—'" "But, Jimmy," piped another, "you said you guessed Benny Green played truant yesterday because he wasn't at school." Jimmy swallowed hard and said, "Here's another: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive —'" "O Jimmy," howled the whole congregation, "not that. You ate all the jam at the tea party and we didn't have any!" —The Presbyterian.

TWELVE-YEAR-OLD FAITHFULNESS

Here is a little story that comes to us from France. A girl of twelve was tending sheep on the bare, peaked hills of Auvergne with a dog she had known only a day or two—a surly and suspicious dog. As evening came on, and the little shepherdess thought of returning to the farm, the dog sprang at her and savagely gashed her cheek. The plucky little maid herded the sheep together and led them home, where she explained what had happened, and added: "What luck that it happened at turning-in time!" As the doctor stitched up the wounded cheek he said: "So if the dog had bitten you earlier in the day you would not have come back at once?" The child looked up. "Who would have tended my sheep?" she said.—Children's Newspaper.

BY THE EVENING LAMP

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I have never written to the Visitor before, but I like to read the letters the boys and girls write. I am ten years old, and in the sixth grade. I like to go to church. I like to read about India, and expect some day to be a missionary there. I have an aunt in India. Her name is Mae Wolf. My father is a minister. I have two sisters and two brothers. I like to read books.
Waddams Grove, Ill. Wilbur Stern.

You like a lot of good things. May your best ambition turn out to be a dream come true!

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I have never written to you, but I have often read the children's letters. I am ten years old, and in the fifth grade. I have four sisters and four brothers. Their names are Miriam, Judith, Josephine, Genevieve, Norman, Galen, Keith and Harold. The oldest, Harold and Genevieve, are at college. I do not belong to the church, but expect to join pretty soon. I go to Mississinewa. I am going to have a new teacher at Sunday-school. His name is Paul Weaver. In English at school we had to make up a poem about a bird. I thought I would send mine in to you.

Little Sparrow

Merry, bright-eyed sparrow
  At my kitchen door,
Picking up the crumbs
  Here on my porch floor.

Happy little fellow,
  Always somewhere near,
Merry little sparrow,
  Your heart is full of cheer.

Muncie, Ind. Virginia Rarick.

Not a bad combination—a bird, a breakfast, spring, and a ten-year-old girl. Maybe in time you will really show signs of the divine afflatus. (Ask your parents what that means.) I have a pleasant memory of those college youngsters when they weren't much more than babies. How time flies!

Dear Aunt Adalyn: Isn't this a grand old world we are living in? Even though we have troubles and trials, there is, always, happiness lurking near. Things don't always go right for me, but I always try to smile. Isn't that the best way, after all? I wrote to you, auntie, over two years ago and gained so many new friends I thought I'd write again. I find it very interesting to correspond and exchange ideas with other young people. Those I do write to just seem like old friends to me. I have pictured in my mind what I think these friends are like, and hope to see them all some day. Rev. Paul Studebaker is our pastor, and I think he is just wonderful. Our B. Y. P. D. is continually growing and I find it real interesting. I have not missed a meeting yet this year and hope to continue this record. I am a Junior in high school, and find my work interesting. My ambition is to finish my high education and take a nurses' training course. Don't you just love flowers? I do. We haven't a very good place to grow them, but have lots of them anyway, especially roses, and they are so beautiful when all in bloom. Our lilies-of-the-valley and tulips are coming up; it makes me think of spring. We do not take the Visitor at present, but I thought perhaps you would have my letter printed anyhow. Mr. Shamberger was with us yesterday and I think he is just fine. May all you young people write to me. I enjoy the letters so. I am seventeen years old. Ruth E. Barnhart (sometimes Billy).
507 W. Walnut St., Nappanee, Ind.

You are a young philosopher. I hope you will always keep such an optimistic outlook on the world and life. A trained nurse certainly needs a lot of courage, endurance, sympathy, and cheerfulness. For that matter, those are highly valuable assets to anybody!

NUTS TO CRACK

Decapitations

1. Remove the first letter of a heavenly body, and leave a black, sticky substance.
2. Behead a floating vapor, and leave noisy.
3. Behead congealed vapor, and leave the present.
4. Behead a floating vessel, and leave part of the body.
5. Behead another floating vessel, and leave a grain.
6. Behead a conflagration, and leave anger.
7. Behead a stream of water, and leave a bird.
8. Behead a high temperature, and leave part of the body.
9. Behead a low temperature, and leave the opposite of young.

American Cities Demolished

1. Tom Case ran.
2. One slip, Mina.
3. One learns W.
4. F piled rings.
5. Ill shaven.
6. Gash in town.
7. Anna in soot.
8. And level C.
9. Sprig ran add.
10. U slum cob.

(Answers next month)

APRIL NUTS CRACKED

Curtailments.—Bard—bar. 2. Bind—bin. 3. Bung—bun. 4. Cape—cap. 5. Cube—cub. 6. Dime—dim. 7. Dune—dun. 8. Pope—pop.

Word Square.—

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FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1928. As of March 31, 1928, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 28, 1929, stands as follows:

Cash received since March 1, 1928 ....$11,905.51

(The 1928 Budget of $389,000.00 is 3.1% raised, whereas it should be 8.3%.)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on March 31, 1928:

Income since March 1, 1928	$14,680.17
Income same period last year	17,230.96
Expense since March 1, 1928	15,144.48
Expense same period last year	23,423.73
Mission deficit March 31, 1928	97,868.95
Mission deficit February 29, 1928	97,404.64
Increase in deficit for March, 1928	464.31

Tract Distribution: During the month of February the Board sent out 966 doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 25: See April, 1928, Visitor, under World-Wide Missions. Credit of $20.63 to Richland Center S. S., N. E. Kansas, should instead have been $.63.

February Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during February:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

Arizona—$13.52

S. S.: Glendale,	$ 13.52

Arkansas—$10.00

Indv.: Mrs. Mary J. Babb & Daughter,	10.00

California—$931.14

No. Dist., Cong.: Butte Valley, $4.70; Elk Creek, $7.50; Nannie A. Harmon (Lindsay), $3; S. S.: Oakland, $7.63; Aid Soc.: Lindsay, $15,	37.83
So. Dist., Cong.: Hemet, $18.70; Pasadena, $631.15; Mrs. J. M. Miller (Calvary). $10; L. M. Myer (Calvary), $2; Edmund Taylor (E. San Diego), $5; La Verne College Bible Institute, $212.88; Indv.: J. H. Huff, $13.58,	893.31

Canada—$25.00

Cong.: Merrington, $10.95; Miss C. Rinehart (Bow Valley), $5; S. S.: Merrington, $5.31; Aid Soc.: Merrington, $3.74,	25.00

Colorado—$42.17

E. Dist., Cong.: Antioch, $7.17; S. J. Heckman & Wife, (Colorado Springs), $25; No. 103912 (Sterling), $5; W. S. Ellenberger (Wiley), $5,	42.17

Florida—$7.24

Cong.: Seneca, $2.24; Mrs. Wm. Lind (Zion), $5,	7.24

Idaho—$68.73

S. S.: Winchester, $58.73; Aid Soc.: Boise Valley, $10,	68.73

Illinois—$664.10

No. Dist., Cong.: Cherry Grove, $151.42; Elgin, $23.03; Lanark, $13.25; O. E. Gibson & Wife (Bethel), $8.50; Celesta Wine (First Chicago), $20; O. D. Barnhart (Elgin), $4; Chas. D. Bonsack & Wife (Elgin), $50; A Sister (Milledgeville), $10; S. S.: Bethel, $29.24; Women's Class, First Chicago, $5.80; Lena, $28.53; Sterling, $18.49; Aid Soc.: Bethel, $16.18; Franklin Grove, $10,	388.44
So. Dist., Cong.: Allison Prairie, $55.50; Big Creek, $25; Camp Creek, $2; Liberty, $47; Loraine, $9; Martin Creek, $2; Oak Grove, $5.50; Virden, $4.86; Woodland, $4.85; D. S. Baker (Astoria), $8; N. Eichenberg (Astoria), $3; Ann L. Fitz (Astoria), $5; I. W. Ludlum (Canton), $4; Walter Ludlum (Canton), $4; Clara Steiner (Champaign), $10; R. D. Wickert & Family (Woodland), $5; S. S.: La Motte Prairie, $5.95; Aid Soc.: Girard, $50; Virden, $25,	275.66

Indiana—$3,023.34

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Flora, $131.57; Lower Deer Creek, $9.35; Manchester, $1,327.97; Monticello $59.73; Pleasant View, $7; Roann, $17.45; Salamonie, $45.65; Spring Creek, $25; West Manchester, $75.15; Marie Shively (Manchester), $10; E. P. Tridle & Wife (Spring Creek), $10; S. S.: Eel River, $44.62; Guernsey (Monticello), $10; Salamonie, $42.69; Spring Creek, $40; West Manchester, $25; Aid Soc.: Andrews, $52.41; Eel River, $25; Huntington, $10; Dorcas Aid Soc. (Huntington) $25; Dorcas Aid Soc. (Mexico), $15; Salamonie, $35; Spring Creek, $10.00; West Manchester, $35; Dist. Aid Soc. Meeting, $44; Indv.: Henry Warner, $2,	2,134.59
No. Dist., Cong.: Blue River. $2.68; Goshen City, $107.80; Nappanee, $129.55; Junior Church (Nappanee), $4; Pleasant Hill, $10; Pleasant Valley, $35.27; Plymouth, $9.78; Union Center, $43.65; Wakarusa, $20; Amanda Hanson (Auburn), $1; Mrs. Dora Smith (Blue River), $.61; Maggie A. Johnson (First So. Bend), $5; Myrtis Weaver (Rock Run), $4; Godfrey Sprang (Shipshewana), $4; S. S.: " Elite " Class, Nappanee, $10; Yellow Creek, $10.75; Aid Soc.: Mt. Pleasant, $25; Pleasant Hill, $10; West Goshen, $32,	465.09
So. Ind., Cong.: Anderson, $140; Beech Grove, $3.66; Four Mile, $77; Orley Dunk (Fairview), $2; Henry Guinn (Fairview), $5; Linnie E. Toney (Four Mile), $10; Freda Michael (Grace, Indianapolis), $4; Mrs. Sarah McCoy (Howard), $4; Audra Hoppis (Kokomo), $4; Michael Andes (Middletown), $100; Isaac Huffman (Mt. Pleasant), $6; Wm. J. Ronk (Mt. Pleasant), $15; I. C. Mikesell (Union City), $5; Sylvia Cory (White), $15; Laura E. Lynch (White), $6; Anna Rakestraw (White), $4; Denzel Copeland (Windfall), $4; Ellie Love, (Windfall), $1; Trell Turner (Windfall), $8; Aid Soc.: Pyrmont, $10,	423.66

Iowa—$632.22

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Panther Creek, $75.84; Mrs. Alice B. Snyder (Cedar Rapids), $25; A Friend (Dallas Center), $100; C. Z. Reitz (Maxwell), $3.75; S. S.: Bagley $1.27; Brooklyn, $10; Pleasant View (Cedar), $1.29; " Rose Bud " Class, Panther Creek, $10.35; Aid Soc.: Panther Creek, $100,	327.50
No. Dist., Cong.: Waterloo City (South Waterloo), $30; David Brallier & Wife ,Curlew), $10; S. S.: Waterloo City (South Waterloo), $27; Aid Soc.: Waterloo City (South Waterloo), $150,	217.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Council Bluffs, $5.10; Libertyville, $15.64; Dr. Lawrence A. Miller & Wife (North English), $25; S. S.: Council Bluffs, $3.32; Franklin, $4.41; Muscatine, $19.25; Aid Soc.: Council Bluffs, $5; Indv.: S. W. Brown, $5; Chas. B. Knee, $5,	87.72

Kansas—$438.84

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Morrill, $68.23; Overbrook, $39; Topeka, $135.07; S. S.: Ramona, $5.90; Topeka, $29.82; Y. P. D.: Richland Center, $10.38,	288.40
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Quinter,	54.75
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Orpha Loshbaugh (Hollow), $5; Lizzie Shank (Osage), $5; Indv.: S. C. Gilbert, $4.05; Fannie Stevens, $5.25,	19.30
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Garden City, $14.89; Walnut Valley, $10; West Wichita, $11.50; The Whitmers, (East Wichita), $5; Mrs. Liz-	

zie A. Lehman (Newton), $5; Kate Yost (Peabody), $5; S. S.: Bloom, $25, ... 75.39

Louisiana—$121.25

Cong.: Roanoke, $10; Rosepine, $96.07; S. S.: Roanoke, $15.18, ... 121.25

Maryland—$1,038.69

E. Dist., Cong.: Green Hill, $2.81; Meadow Branch, $52.23; Pipe Creek, $185; J. S. Lau & Wife (Woodberry, Baltimore), $20; Mrs. D. E. Dunham (Beaver Dam), $5; Mrs. Mollie E. Sigler (Frederick City), $3; No. 104430 (Piney Creek), $15; Edgar S. Jenkins (Pipe Creek), $4; S. S.: Pleasant Hill (Bush Creek), $2.50; Blue Ridge College (Pipe Creek). $22.26; Men's Bible Class (Pipe Creek), $5; Aid Soc.: Westminster (Meadow Branch), $43.09; Pipe Creek, $10; Washington, $10; Indv.: N. S. Sellers (M. N.), $.50, ... 380.39

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Brownsville, $7.30; Hagerstown, $385; Licking Creek, $10; I. F. Hollenberger (Beaver Creek), $25; Mrs. Barbara J. Steele (Beaver Creek), $19; D. D. Mullendore & Family (Brownsville), $25; S. S.: Chas. T. Hoffmaster's Class, Brownsville, $5; Aid Soc.: Mt. Zion (Beaver Creek), $25; Brownsville, $15; Pleasant View, $50; Indv.: No. 104000, $50, ... 616.30

W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $10; Arthur Scrogum & Wife (Bear Creek), $15; C. H. Merrill & Wife (Cherry Grove), $17, ... 42.00

Michigan—$142.67

Cong.: Crystal, $.67; Detroit, $100; Durand (Elsie), $5; Long Lake, $2; Thornapple, $10; S. S.: Shepherd, $10; Aid Soc.: Midland, $5; Rodney, $5; Indv.: Mary M. Nevinger, $5,.. 142.67

Minnesota—$48.52

Cong.: Root River, $45.13; S. S.: Guthrie, $3.39, ... 48.52

Missouri—$196.98

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Elda Gauss (Centerview), ... 5.00

No. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant View, $8.95; South St. Joseph, $6.72; J. E. Stanturf (North St. Joseph), $5; S. B. Shirky & Wife (Rockingham), $10; Geo. W. Hoover & Wife (Smith Fork), $100; S. S.: Wakenda, $5.49; Indv.: Ruth A. Pulse, $5, ... 141.16

So. Dist., Cong.: No. 104123 (Carthage), $5; Clara Miller (Nevada), $25; S. S.: Cabool, $10.82; Indv.: H. J. Masters & Wife, $10, .. 50.82

Nebraska—$126.10

Cong.: Enders, $4.83; Octavia, $3; D. F. Eberly (Octavia), $50; H. J. Frantz & Family (South Beatrice), $10; S. S.: Lincoln, $3.27; Aid Soc.: Bethel, $50; Falls City, $5, 126.10

North Carolina—$45.00

Aid Soc.: Fraternity, $10; Indv.: J. I. Branscom, $25; Thomas Dolby & Wife, $10, 45.00

North Dakota—$23.00

Cong.: Walter Troxel (Berthold), $3; Mrs. M. A. Martz (Ellison), $10; Aid Soc.: Zion (Cando), $10, ... 23.00

Ohio—$2,377.58

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Ashland, $20; Chippewa, $4; E. Chippewa, $46.05; E. Nimishillen, $75; Hartville, $100; Owl Creek, $15; Richland, $2.50; W. Nimishillen, $10.59; Wooster, $175; Zion Hill, $74; Catharine Wohlgamuth (Mohican), $10; L. S. Garver (Woodworth), $25; D. S. Longanecker, -(Woodworth), $1; S. S.: Owl Creek, $.93; Woodworth, $5.41; Aid Soc.: Center, $10; E. Chippewa, $55; Indv.: J. D. Miller & Wife, 2, 631.43

N. W. Dist., Cong.: Sugar Creek, $25; J. L. Guthrie (M. N.) (County Line), $.50; No. 104132 (Greenspring), $15; J. W. Hornish & Wife (No. Poplar Ridge), $50; S. S.: County Line, $36; Eagle Creek, $26.10; Aid Soc.: Greenspring, $35; Silver Creek, $10, ... 197.60

So. Dist., Cong.: Donnels Creek, $85; Painter Creek, $16; Piqua, $5.85; Salem, $285.78; West Charleston, $32.58; Charles Knoepfle & Wife (Cincinnati), $25; Harry McPherson (W. Dayton), $30; Cong.: & S. S.: Constance, $10; S. S.: Lower Miami, $28.04; Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater), $31.27; Painter Creek, $6; Union City, $14.40; S. S.'s of district, $850.58; Aid Soc.: Donnels Creek, $5; Salem, $25; Indv.: Lucinda Ann Hixson, $100, ... 1,548.50

Oklahoma—$113.00

Cong.: Thomas, $100; Indv.: G. E. Wales, $3; A Tither, $10, ... 113.00

Oregon—$5.00

Aid Soc.: Grants Pass, ... 5.00

Pennsylvania—$3,957.28

E. Dist., Cong.: Heidleberg, $56; Ridgely, $7.45; Spring Grove, $10; No. 104234 (Chiques), $100; Unknown donor (Elizabethtown), $1; J. C. Eshleman & Wife (Harrisburg), $5; Unknown donor (Harrisburg), $2; Adaline H. Witter (Myerstown), $4; Bernard N. King (Ridgely), $5; A Brother (Spring Creek), $2; S. S.: Gleaners' Class, Akron, $5; E. Fairview, $15.32; E. Petersburg, $12.51; Harrisburg, $39; Hatfield, $50.60; Mountville, $14.47; Myerstown, $7.71; " Busy Bee " Class. Palmyra, $10; Buds of Hope Class, Palmyra, $20; Senior Men's Bible Class, Palmyra, $72.27; Servants of the Master Class, Palmyra, $118.10; Work & Win Class, Palmyra, $11.97; Spring Creek, $5.72; Spring Grove, $4.70; Aid Soc.: Heidleberg, $10; Lititz, $25; Mountville, $15; Richland, $25; C. W. S.: Chiques, $61, ... 715.82

Mid. Dist., Cong.: 1st Altoona, $634.76; 28th St. Altoona, $55; Cherry Lane, $4.29; Lewistown, $232.24; Woodbury, $21; Yellow Creek, $7; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek), $10; Mary E. Detweiler (Huntingdon), $4; Mrs. John T. Dopp (Huntingdon), $1; Hazel Ober (New Enterprise), $5; Homer Shrimer (Raven Run), $5; F. H. Mohr & Wife (Woodbury), $20; S. S.: Sugar Run (Aughwick), $2.64; 1st Altoona, $250; Maitland (Dry Valley), $6.14; James Creek, $5.12; Curryville (Woodbury), $6.69; Aid Soc.: Roaring Spring, $25, ... 1,294.88

S. E. Dist., Cong.: Coventry, $118.07; Norristown, $7.89; John S. Grater (Norristown), $5; S. S.: Coventry, $21.32; Primary Dept., Coventry, $25; Aid Soc.: Coventry, $25; C. W. S.: Coventry, $50, ... 252.28

So. Dist., Cong.: Hanover, $5; Densie R. Clopper (Carlisle), $5; Katharine M. Hartranft (Chambersburg), $15; Wm. B. Harlacher (Hanover), $1; Krissinger Sisters (Lost Creek), $10; Elder S. B. Myers (New Fairview), $1; A Sister (Upper Conewago), $4; No. 104057 (Upper Conewago), $100; J. J. Oller & Wife (Waynesboro), $1,100; A Sister (Waynesboro), $3; Mary E. Bixler (York), $1; S. S.: Brandt's (Back Creek), $2.37; Pleasant Hill (Codorus), $4.98; Hanover, $12; Mechanicsburg, $6.46; Melrose (Upper Codorus) $13.66; Aid Soc.: Huntsdale, $10; Gettysburg (Marsh Creek), $15; Mechanicsburg, $25; Newville, $5; Waynesboro, $30; Indv.: Annie M. Baltozer, $4; N. S. Sellers (M. N.) $.50, ... 1,373.97

W. Dist., Cong.: Penn Run, $19.35; Red Bank, $100; Rockton, $10; Roxbury, $75; Mrs. Anna Saylor (Middlecreek), $7; A Sister (Rockton), $1; S. S.: Plum Creek, $18.26; Red Bank, $3.72; Aid Soc.: Greensburg, $10; Purchase Line, Manor, $5; Women's Missy. Soc. (Moxham), $16; Mt. Joy, $50; Indv.: Maggie Sterrett, $5, ... 320.33

South Dakota—$10.00

S. S.: Willow Creek, ... 10.00

Texas—$1.00

Indv.: L. E. Brown, ... 1.00

Virginia—$1,454.37

E. Dist., Cong.: Fairfax, $31.41; Hollywood, $16; Mt. Carmel, $14.32; Nokesville, $27.86; C. D. Gilbert (Oronoco), $5; S. S.: Valley, $15.38; Aid Soc.: Midland, $5, ... 114.97

First Dist., Indv.: Lucy A. Mauzy, ... 5.00

No. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Grove (Brock's Gap), $37; Cooks Creek, $40.85; Greenmount, $3.12; Mill Creek, $747.50; Geo. L. Dove (Damascus), $3; Elmer E. Miller (Flat Rock), $3; J. M. Zigler (Unity), $5; Frank Stultz & Wife (Crab Run, Upper Lost River), $5; S. S.: Intermediate Class, Linville Creek, $1.80; Fairview (Unity), $9.87; Aid

Soc.: Cedar Grove (Flat Rock), $20; Unity, $2.71,	878.85
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Silas B. Miller (Bridgewater), $5; S. S.: Bridgewater, $5.32; Aid Soc.: No. 2, Sangerville, $7; Student Volunteers of Bridgewater College, $30.13,	47.45
So. Dist., Cong.: Antioch, $58.85; Bethlehem, $17.60; Brick, $22; Pleasant Valley, $10.17; Red Oak Grove, $10; Congs. of district, $285.28; Sarah J. Hylton (Coulson), $3; Indv.: W. M. Kahle, $1.20,	408.10
Washington—$20.22	
Cong.: Outlook, $5.22; J. M. Arbogast (Okanogan Valley), $10; Indv.: No. 40, $5,	20.22
West Virginia—$250.75	
First Dist., Cong.: Sandy Creek, $200; B. F. Bucklew (Bean Settlement), $3; Maude Snyder (Capon Chapel), $2; Henry Elmick (Eglon), $5; R. B. Leatherman (Knobley), $20; Cong. & S. S.: Beaver Run, $5.75; Aid Soc.: Keyser, $10; Indv.: O. P. Jones, $5,	250.75
Wisconsin—$11.00	
Cong.: Rice Lake, $7; S. S.: Chippewa Valley, $3; Maple Grove, $1,	11.00
Total for the month,	$15,798.71
Total previously reported,	57,211.87
	$73,010.58
Correction No. 25,	20.00
Total for the year,	$72,990.58

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND 1926-27

Indiana—$260.50	
Mid. Ind., Student Volunteers of Manchester College,	$ 260.50
Total for the month,	$ 260.50
Total previously reported,	3,155.41
Total for the year,	$ 3,415.91

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND 1927-28

Pennsylvania—$131.42	
Mid. Dist., Student Volunteers of Juniata College,	$ 131.42
Virginia—$32.00	
Sec. Dist., Student Volunteers of Bridgewater College,	32.00
Total for the month,	$ 163.42
Total previously reported,	226.00
Total for the year,	$ 389.42

AID SOCIETY FOREIGN MISSION FUND

Pennsylvania—$10.00	
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: Bunkertown (Lost Creek),	$ 10.00
Total for the month,	$ 10.00
Total previously reported,	3,123.02
Total for the year,	$ 3,133.02

AID SOCIETY MISSION FUND—1927

Colorado—$64.38	
E. Dist., Aid Societies,	$ 64.38
Florida—$56.00	
Aid Societies of Florida and Georgia,	56.00
Idaho—$30.00	
Aid Societies of Idaho and Western Montana,	30.00
Indiana—$96.00	
Mid. Dist., Aid Societies,	96.00
Iowa—$128.00	
Mid. Dist., Aid Societies,	128.00
Kansas—$76.50	
N. W. Dist., Aid Societies,	33.00
S. W. Dist., Aid Societies,	43.50
Missouri—$44.00	
No. Dist., Aid Societies,	44.00
Ohio—$110.00	
N. W. Dist., Aid Societies,	110.00
Oklahoma—$10.00	
Aid Soc.: Oklahoma City,	10.00
Pennsylvania—$95.00	
S. E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Bethany, $10; Coventry, $25; Pottstown, $10,	45.00
So. Dist., Aid Societies,	50.00
Virginia—$82.00	
No. Dist., Aid Societies,	82.00
Total for the month,	$ 791.88
Total previously reported,	1,027.65
Total for the year,	$ 1,819.53

HOME MISSIONS

Arkansas—$13.00	
Cong.: New Hope,	$ 13.00
California—$3.20	
So. Dist., Cong.: A Sister (San Bernardino),	3.20
Idaho—$103.00	
Cong.: Fruitland,	103.00
Indiana—$10.87	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: L. T. Holsinger & Wife (Delphi), $2; S. S.: Lower Deer Creek, $5.87,	7.87
No. Dist., Indv.: Elsie Finley, $1,	1.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Florence Rigney (Upper Fall Creek), $1; Ethel Tutrow (Upper Fall Creek), $1,	2.00
Iowa—$23.60	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Prairie City,	20.60
So. Dist., Cong.: Monroe County,	3.00
Kansas—$27.70	
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Veta V. Thompson (Victor Rock),	5.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Independence, $5; Parsons, $12.70; M. C. Shaefer (Mont Ida), $5,	22.70
Michigan—$3.50	
Cong.: Pontiac,	3.50
Missouri—$84.13	
No. Dist., Cong.: Smith Fork,	33.53
So. Dist., Cong.: Broadwater, $45; S. S.: Jasper, $5.60,	50.60
Ohio—$64.95	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: John Culler (E. Nimishillen),	10.00
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Silver Creek, $31.41; Mrs. E. L. Taylor (Bellefontaine), $5; Catherine Brown (Fostoria), $1,	37.41
So. Dist., Cong.: Wheatville (Upper Twin),	17.54
Pennsylvania—$109.78	
E. Dist., Cong.: Heidleberg, $56; Lancaster, $43.28,	99.28
Mid. Dist., Cong.: 28th St. Altoona,	2.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Pittsburgh, $7.50; Mary E. Bixler (York), $1,	8.50
South Dakota—$5.00	
S. S.: Willow Creek,	5.00
Virginia—$37.97	
No. Dist., Cong.: Frank Stultz & Wife (Crab Run, Upper Lost River),	5.00
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Forest Chapel, $12.50; Ressie Kanost (Moscow), $10,	22.50
So. Dist., Cong.: Smith River,	10.47
Washington—$5.00	
S. S.: Mt. Hope,	5.00
Total for the month,	$ 491.70
Total previously reported,	17,534.85
Total for the year,	$18,026.55

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

Pennsylvania—$23.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: Lancaster,	$ 23.00
Total for the month,	$ 23.00
Total previously reported,	669.23
Total for the year,	$ 692.23

FOREIGN MISSIONS

California—$16.45	
So. Dist., Cong.: San Bernardino,	$ 16.45
Denmark—$14.49	
Cong.: Thy,	14.49

Indiana—$4.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: Bremen,	4.00
Missouri—$8.50	
Mid Dist., Cong.: Dorothy Oxley (Deepwater),	8.50
Nebraska—$4.00	
S. S.: Arcadia,	4.00
Ohio—$31.18	
So. Dist., Cong.: Wheatville (Upper Twin), $15.38; S. S.: Middletown, $5.80; Indv.: L. C. McCorkle, $10,	31.18
Oklahoma—$100.00	
Cong.: Isaac Williams & Wife (Paradise Prairie),	100.00
Pennsylvania—$79.86	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Geiger Mem. (Philadelphia), $45; Wilmington, $27.36,	72.36
So. Dist., Cong.: Pittsburgh,	7.50
Sweden—$107.20	
Congregations of Sweden,	107.20
Texas—$25.00	
Cong.: Ft. Worth,	25.00
Virginia—$100.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: Timberville, $50; Aid Soc.: Timberville, $50.00,	100.00
Total for the month,	$ 490.68
Total previously reported,	3,605.18
Total for the year,	$ 4,095.86

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1927

California—$24.75	
So. Dist., S. S.: Beginners' Dept., Pasadena, $10; Junior Dept., Pasadena, $12.75; Junior Class, Waterford, $2,	24.75
Colorado—$64.01	
E. Dist., Cong.: Rocky Ford,	64.01
Illinois—$40.84	
No. Dist., S. S.: Primary, Junior & Intermediate Classes, Bethel,	15.67
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept., Oakley, $21.10; Children of S. S., Panther Creek, $4.07,	25.17
Indiana—$131.01	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept., Salamonie,	25.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Robert Hanson (Auburn), $1; Wayne W. Wagner (Yellow Creek), $1; S. S.: Junior Class, Oak Grove, $5; Children of S. S.: Pine Creek, $42; Children or S. S., Turkey Creek, $38; "Ever Ready" Class, Wakarusa, $10.50,	97.50
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, Four Mile,	8.51
Iowa—$57.33	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Junior & Primary Classes, Bagley,	9.15
No. Dist., S. S.: Children of S. S., Curlew, $29.68; Sheldon, $5; Junior & Intermediate Depts., So. Waterloo, $13.50,	48.18
Kansas—$81.75	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Primary & Junior Depts., Washington Creek,	44.66
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Primary Class, Mont Ida,	5.00
S. W. Dist., S. S.: Children of S. S., Monitor,	32.09
Maryland—$20.50	
E. Dist., S. S.: Children of S. S.: Meadow Branch,	10.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Clayton Phillips, West Brownsville (Brownsville), $2; "Light Bearers" Class, Brownsville, $8.50,	10.50
Michigan—$16.17	
S. S.: Primary & Junior Classes, Shepherd,	16.17
Missouri—$2.40	
So. Dist., S. S.: Children of S. S., Broadwater,	2.40
Ohio—$301.37	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Primary & Junior Depts., E. Nimishillen, $25.20; Junior & Intermediate Depts., Hartville, $47.15,	72.35
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, Logan, $65.40; S. S.: North Poplar Ridge (Poplar Ridge), $10; Junior Sunbeam Class, North Poplar Ridge (Poplar Ridge, $20.12,	95.52
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior Class, Georgetown, $8; Children of S. S.: Oakland, $12; Intermediate & Junior Classes, Pitsburg, $40; Junior Dept., Salem, $73.50,	133.50
Pennsylvania—$13.30	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, Martinsburg,	3.62
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Primary League, Gerbantown (Philadelphia),	8.50
W. Dist., S. S.: Junior Girls' Class, Berkey (Shade Creek),	1.18
Virginia—$385.45	
E. Dist., Cong.: Fairfax,	59.17
No. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, Linville Creek,	25.07
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Elk Run, $20.55; Junior & Intermediate Classes, Middle River, $33,	53.55
So. Dist., Cong.: Antioch, $41.54; Boone Mill (Bethlehem), $20; Brick, $55; Congs. of district, $131.12,	247.66
Washington—$2.52	
S. S.: Children of S. S., Tacoma,	2.52
Total for the month,	$ 1,141.40
Total previously reported,	6,036.10
Total for the year,	$ 7,177.50

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1928

California—$16.46	
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept., Covina,	$ 16.46
Ohio—$3.00	
N. E. Dist., C. W. S., Junior, New Philadelphia,	3.00
Pennsylvania—$3.64	
E. Dist., S. S.: Ridgely,	3.64
Total for the month,	$ 23.10
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 23.10

B. Y. P. D.—1927

Illinois—$35.00	
No. Dist., Y. P. D.: Elgin,	$ 35.00
Indiana—$21.57	
No. Dist., Y. P. D.: Second South Bend,	11.57
So. Dist., Y. P. D.: Anderson,	10.00
Maryland—$30.61	
E. Dist., Y. P. D.: Myersville,	30.61
Pennsylvania—$175.00	
Mid. Dist., Y. P. D.: Lewistown,	175.00
Virginia—$447.51	
No. Dist., B. Y. P. D.'s,	273.89
Sec. Dist., S. S.: "Friendship Circle Class." Beaver Creek,	60.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Antioch, $33; Bassetts (Mt. Hermon), $5; Boone Mill (Bethlehem), $20; Brick, $25; Congs. of district, $30.62,	113.62
Washington—$3.45	
C. W. S.: Omak,	3.45
Total for the month,	$ 713.14
Total previously reported,	2,197.55
Total for the year,	$ 2,910.69

INDIA MISSION

Illinois—$1.66	
So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Lottie Hunter (Mulberry Grove),	$ 1.66
Kansas—$4.00	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Parsons,	4.00
Oklahoma—$25.00	
Aid Soc.: Big Creek,	25.00
Pennsylvania—$566.91	
E. Dist., Cong.: Eld. J. G. Reber (Maiden Creek),	250.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Ruth P. Chilcoat (Aughwick), $4; Mrs. J. H. May (Everett), $5; S. S.: Rockhill (Aughwick), $4.25,	13.25
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Royersford, $19.40; S. S.: Royersford, $259.26,	278.66
So. Dist., Cong.: Paul P. Hershey (York),	25.00

Washington—$25.00	
Cong.: No. 103788 (Wenatchee Valley), ...	25.00
Total for the month, ...$	622.57
Total previously reported, ...	2,164.61
Total for the year, ...$	2,787.18

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Florida—$10.00	
Indv.: Rev. J. E. Young, ...$	10.00
Maryland—$80.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: Meadow Branch, ...	80.00
Ohio—$100.00	
So. Dist., Indv.: Annie May Calvert, ...	100.00
Pennsylvania—$10.00	
E. Dist., Indv.: C. C. Madeira, ...	10.00
Total for the month, ...$	200.00
Total previously reported, ...	555.00
Total for the year, ...$	755.00

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Ohio—$25.00	
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Sugar Creek, ...$	25.00
Pennsylvania—$194.50	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. W. S. Long (First Altoona), $82; S. S.: Class No. 32, First Altoona, $17.50, ...	99.50
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept., Parkerford, $35, "Ever Faithful" Class, Royersford, $25; Y. P.: Christian Endeavor, Parkerford, $35, ...	95.00
Virginia—$85.00	
First Dist., S. S.: Women's Bible Class, First Roanoke, ...	35.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Women's Bible Class, Timberville, ...	50.00
Total for the month, ...$	304.50
Total previously reported, ...	1,160.09
Total for the year, ...$	1,464.59

INDIA SHARE PLAN

India—$12.50	
No. Dist., S. S.: Pleasant Chapel, ...$	12.50
Maryland—$125.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: Scott Y. Garner & Wife (Pipe Creek), $25; S. S.: "Sunshine Band," Meadow Branch, $25; Berean Bible Class, Blue Ridge College (Pipe Creek), $25; Pipe Creek, $50, ...	125.00
Michigan—$25.00	
S. S.: Primary Dept., Woodland, ...	25.00
North Dakota—$50.00	
S. S.: Beacon Light Class, Minot, ...	50.00
Ohio—$37.50	
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Junior Boys' Class, Fostoria, $25; Primary Classes, Pleasant View, $12.50, ...	37.50
Pennsylvania—$340.50	
E. Dist., Cong.: Ridgely, $28; S. S.: Young Folks Class, Harrisburg, $25; "Other Folks" Class, Hatfield, $25; "Sunshine" Class, Indian Creek, $12.50; Gleaners Class, Palmyra, $25; Onward Bible Class, Palmyra, $100; Primary Dept., Palmyra, $50, ...	265.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Living Links" Class, Lewistown, $25; Williamsburg, $50, ...	75.00
Tennessee—$25.00	
S. S.: Young People's Class, Meadow Branch, ...	25.00
Total for the month, ...$	615.50
Total previously reported, ...	4,619.56
Total for the year, ...$	5,235.06

QUINTER MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

Pennsylvania—$30.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: Gleaners' Class, Ephrata, $	30.00
Total for the month, ...$	30.00
Total previously reported, ...	135.00
Total for the year, ...$	165.00

ANKLESVAR CHURCH FUND

Iowa—$52.75	
No. Dist., Cong.: Sheldon, ...$	52.75
Total for the month, ...$	52.75
Total previously reported, ...	196.29
Total for the year, ...$	294.04

CHINA MISSION

Illinois—$1.67	
So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Lottie Hunter (Mulberry Grove), ...$	1.67
Pennsylvania—$189.33	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Royersford, $9.70; S. S.: Royersford, $129.63, ...	139.33
So. Dist., Cong.: Dr. S. S. Conner (Waynesboro), $25; Paul P. Hershey (York), $25, ...	50.00
Virginia—$5.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: S. E. Wisman (Harrisonburg), ...	5.00
Total for the month, ...$	196.00
Total previously reported, ...	1,772.23
Total for the year, ...$	1,968.23

CHINA NATIVE WORKER

Missouri—$26.92	
No. Dist., S. S.: Wakenda, ...$	26.92
Total for the month, ...$	26.02
Total previously reported, ...	300.33
Total for the year, ...$	327.25

CHINA BOYS' SCHOOL

Missouri—$2.25	
No. Dist., S. S.: Intermediate Class, Wakenda, ...$	2.25
Total for the month, ...$	2.25
Total previously reported, ...	75.73
Total for the year, ...$	77.98

CHINA SHARE PLAN

California—$12.50	
So. Dist., S. S.: "Friendship Bible Class, Pasadena, ...$	12.50
Maryland—$6.25	
E. Dist., S. S.: Mission Study Class, Long Green Valley, ...	6.25
Ohio—$28.75	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Young People's Bible Class, E. Chippewa.	12.50
So. Dist., S. S.: Royal Bible Class, Middle District, ...	16.25
Pennsylvania—$425.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: Mechanic Grove, $25; Intermediate Boys' Class, Palmyra, $25; Loyal Workers Class, Palmyra, $75; Onward Bible Class, Palmyra. 50; "Sunbeam Class," Palmyra, $50; Willing Workers Class, Palmyra, $50; Young Men's Bible Class, Palmyra, $100,	375.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Truth Seekers Class, Williamsburg, ...	50.00
Total for the month, ...$	472.50
Total previously reported, ...	1,942.27
Total for the year, ...$	2,414.77

AFRICA MISSION

Illinois—$9.82	
So. Dist., Cong.: Okaw, $8.15; Mrs. Lottie Hunter (Mulberry Grove), $1.67, ...$	9.82
Indiana—$63.70	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Helping Hand" Class, Eel River, ...	25.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Bremen, ...	33.70
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: Loyal Circle, Grace (Indianapolis), ...	5.00

Kansas—$17.57	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Independence, $5; Parsons, $6.01,	11.01
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Conway Springs,	6.56
Maryland—$2.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: New Windsor (Pipe Creek),	2.00
Ohio—$150.59	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Ashland,	5.00
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept., Eagle Creek,	129.34
So. Dist., Cong.: Pitsburg,	16.25
Oregon—$7.15	
S. S.: Portland,	7.15
Pennsylvania—$297.08	
E. Dist.; Cong.: Lancaster, $5; S. S.: Primary Class, Annville, $12; D. V. B. S.: Palmyra, $65,	82.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Spring Run,	5.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Royersford, $9.70; B. K. G. (First Philadelphia), $10; S. S.: Brooklyn Italian, $28.41; Royersford, $129.63,	177.74
So. Dist., S. S.: Melrose (Upper Codorus),	32.34
Virginia—$38.35	
No. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Eugene L. Miller (Mill Creek), $7; S. S.: Several Classes of Timberville, $31.35,	38.35
Total for the month,	$ 586.26
Total previously reported,	6,013.10
Total for the year,	$ 6,599.36

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

Indiana—$50.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: Excelsior (Mt. Pleasant),	$ 50.00
Iowa—$5.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: Lawrence Clark (Ottumwa),	5.00
Pennsylvania—$225.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: Gleaners Class, Palmyra, $25; Willing Workers Class, Palmyra, $100; Young Men's Bible Class, Palmyra, $100,	225.00
Total for the month,	$ 280.00
Total previously reported,	607.64
Total for the year,	$ 887.64

NEAR EAST RELIEF

Ohio—$2.50	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Mary E. Swallen (Alliance),	$ 2.50
Oregon—$13.00	
Cong.: Portland,	13.00
Pennsylvania—$343.37	
E. Dist., Cong.: Midway, $115.52; Spring Creek, $75; Swatara, Little, $111.27; S. S.: Hannah Binner's Class, Midway, $6; Character Builders' Class, Midway, $4.35; Elizabeth Martin's Class, Midway, $5; Spring Creek, $6.23,	323.37
Mid. Dist., Cong.: F. H. Mohr & Wife (Woodbury),	20.00
Total for the month,	$ 358.87
Total previously reported,	2,089.34
Total for the year,	$ 2,448.21

STUDENT LOAN FUND

Ohio—$26.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: Clara Knisley's Class, Salem,	$ 26.00
Total for the month,	$ 26.00
Total previously reported,	10.83
Total for the year,	$ 36.83

CONFERENCE BUDGET

California—$15.00	
No. Dist., Aid Soc.: Oakland,	$ 15.00
Colorado—$5.00	
E. Dist., Indv.: Laura V. Ullom,	5.00
Florida—$50.00	
Cong.: Eva Heagley Hurst (Zion), $25: Aid Soc.: Sebring, $25,	50.00
Idaho—$35.00	
Cong.: Emmett, $20; Aid Soc.: Twin Falls, $15,	35.00
Illinois—$31.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: C. J. Sell (First Chicago), $10; No. 140494 (Elgin), $10; Mrs. Geo. Laughrin (Hickory Grove), $10; Rosy Roos (Mt. Morris), $1,	31.00
Indiana—$785.90	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Clear Creek, $36.90; Mexico, $58.96; Pleasant Dale, $33.68; Emma B. Hamilton (Huntington City), $10; S. S.: Santa Fe, $25; Aid Soc.: Santa Fe, $25,	189.54
No. Dist., Cong.: Bethany, $40; Bremen, $84.71; Cedar Lake, $17.10; Mt. Pleasant, $2; New Paris, $331.50; Osceola, $50; Elizabeth Hay (No. Liberty), $5; Bertha M. Neher (No. Winona). $20,	550.31
So. Dist., Cong.: Kokomo, $19.15; White, $1.90; Dora Mitchel (Maple Grove), $5; Chas. H. Ellabarger (Nettle Creek), $10; Indv.: Mrs. Maurice L. Scholl, $5; Omer White & Wife, $5,	46.05
Iowa—$46.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Des Moines, $5; Olin F. Shaw (Cedar Rapids), $10,	15.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Wm. V. Smith (Ivester), $5; Aid Soc.: Greene, $10,	15.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Ethel Graham (Council Bluffs), $6; Everett Coffman & Wife (English River), $10,	16.00
Kansas—$163.00	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Sabetha, $35; B. Alles & Wife (Holland). $5; Mrs. Lydia Kimmel (McLouth), $15; Effie Steffey (Ozawkie), $1; Shuss Family (Sabetha), $15; Aid Soc.: Overbrook, $5,	76.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: J. W. and I. A. Eikenberry (Independence), $5; S. S.: Galesburg, $7; Aid Soc.: Galesburg, $25,	37.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Oliver & Hazel Austin (McPherson),	50.00
Maryland—$383.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: New Windsor (Pipe Creek), $68; Mrs. J. C. McKinney (Sam's Creek), $5; Mrs. Rebecca Myers and Family (Sam's Creek), $5,	78.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant View, $300; Wm. J. Leatherman (Longmeadow), $5,	305.00
Michigan—$95.75	
Cong.: Rodney, $3.75; Shepherd, $80; James Bennett and Wife (Long Lake), $2; John Landis & Wife (Long Lake), $5; Wm. Landis & Wife (Long Lake), $5,	95.75
Missouri—$116.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Turkey Creek, $14; Effie Long (Kansas City), $37; S. S.: Mineral Creek, $50,	101.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Clay Dillon (Nevada), $5; Indv.; H. J. Masters & Wife, $10,	15.00
Nebraska—$91.00	
Cong.: Bethel, $12; H. J. Miller (Alvo), $4; Indv.: Sidney Cripe, $75,	91.00
North Carolina—$19.50	
Cong.: Peak Creek, $6; Pleasant Grove, $7.50; Spindale, $6,	19.50
Ohio—$692.14	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Ashland Dickey, $25.17; Chippewa, $102.47; E. Chippewa, $35; Goshen, $60; No. 103783 (Black River), $5; Lorena Horn (Goshen), $10,	237.64
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Dupont, $4; East Swan Creek, $20; Logan, $90; Marion, $25; A Sister (Black Swamp), $5; Leonard, Ella, and Harold Dodge (Lima), $3,	147.00
So. Dist., Cong.: New Carlisle, $149.62; Poplar Grove, $77.88; Springfield, $25; Congs. of district, $20; John L. Mote & Family (Brookville), $5; Barbara & Mary West (Pleasant Hill), $5; Geo. W. Teeter & Family (Salem), $5; No. 103830 (West Branch), $20,	307.50
Oklahoma—$16.00	
Cong.: Bartlesville,	16.00
Oregon—$12.00	
Cong.: Mabel,	12.00

Pennsylvania—$1,089.62	
E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Lake Ridge,	10.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Aughwick, $32.67; Snake Spring, $66.44; Spring Run, $339.20; Wilbur O. Snyder (Tyrone), $5; Levi E. Greenawalt (Yellow Creek), $1; S. S.: "Living Links" Class, Lewistown, $10,	454.31
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Germantown (Philadelphia),	500.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Buffalo, $17; No. 104202 (Huntsdale), $5; Mrs. Otelia Hereter (Marsh Creek), $4; Mrs. Lillie Westfall (Mechanicsburg), $20,	46.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Cowanshannock (Plum Creek), $3.10; Locust Grove, $11.04; Mt. Joy, $25.09; Plum Creek, $35.08; J. C. Reiman (Brothersvalley), $5,	79.31
Texas—$5.00	
Indv.: Mrs. T. W. Range,	5.00
Virginia—$2,299.19	
E. Dist., Cong.: J. A. Miller & Wife (Fairfax), $4; S. S.: Young People's Class, Midland, $25,	29.00
First Dist., Cong.: Peters Creek, $292.50; Congs. of district, $851.78; Mrs. A. A. Hedge (Johnsville), $1; Sarah J. Fellers (Terrace View), $5; Mrs. O. E. Crush (Trinity, Troutville), $5; Aid Soc.: Cloverdale, $50,	1,205.28
No. Dist., Cong.: Cooks Creek, $78.30; Damascus, $2; Linville Creek, $155.83; Greenmount, $20; No. Mill Creek, $22.50; Powells' Fort, $5; Timberville, $452.16; Unity, $35; S. S.: Valley Pike (Woodstock), $51.87,	812.66
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Bridgewater, $72.25; Summit, $164; No. 104142 (Pleasant Valley), $10; Signora & Lula Hisey (Sangersville), $5,	251.25
So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Nannie Sutphin (Red Oak Grove),	1.00
Washington—$153.39	
Cong.: No. Spokane, $2.31; Tacoma, $15.33; Wenatchee Valley, $110.75; No. 103999 (Wenatchee Valley), $25,	153.39
West Virginia—$10.00	
1st Dist., Cong.: W. H. Muntzing (Greenland), $5; Elvie & Bertha Spaid (Tearcoat), $5,	10.00
Total for the month,	$ 6,113.49
Total previously reported,	60,006.97
Total for the year,	$66,120.46

CONFERENCE BUDGET DESIGNATED

Illinois—$6.74	
No. Dist., S. S.: Franklin Grove,	$ 6.74
Total for the month,	$ 6.74
Total previously reported,	187.19
Total for the year,	$ 193.93

MARCH WORLD SERVICE

Indiana—$100.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: Michael Andes (Middletown),	$ 100.00
Total for the month,	$ 100.00
Total previously reported,	1,485.00
Total for the year,	$ 1,585.00

MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$1,087.78	
No. Dist., Lindsay Cong. for Dr. Ida Metzger, $196; Sunday Schools for Minneva Neher, $189.80,	$ 384.80
So. Dist., La Verne Cong. for L. A. Blickenstaff & Wife, $126.48; Long Beach S. S. for Lucille Heckman, $300; Sunday Schools of Southern California and Arizona for C. C. Heckman, $276.50,	702.98
Canada—$550.00	
No. 103907 (Irricana) for I. E. Oberholtzer,	550.00
Colorado—$50.00	
E. Dist., S. G. Nickey (Colorado Springs) for Dr. Barbara M. Mickey,	50.00
Illinois—$1,191.50	
No. Dist., Franklin Grove Cong.: for Bertha Butterbaugh, $223.34; Mt. Morris Cong. for Ruth Ulrey, $100; J. E. and Edna Wolf (Franklin Grove), for Mae L. Wolf, $200; F. H. Butterbaugh (Polo) for A. G. Butterbaugh, $25; First Chicago S. S. for F. E. Mallott, $150; First Chicago S. S. for Junior Mallott, $120; Mt. Morris S. S. for Sadie J. Miller, $102.25,	920.59
So. Dist., Oakley Cong. for Ida Buckingham, $120.91; Girard S. S. for Dr. Laura M. Cottrell, $150,	270.91
Indiana—$667.00	
Mid. Dist., Sunday Schools for Mabel W. Moomaw,	175.00
No. Dist., Sunday Schools for Mary Schaeffer and Marguerite Burke Budget,	75.00
So. Dist., Rossville Cong. for Minerva Metzger, $117; Sunday Schools for W. J. Heisey, $300,	417.00
Iowa—$375.00	
No. Dist., Ivester Cong. for W. Harlan Smith & Wife, $300; Waterloo City S. S. (South Waterloo) for Mary Shull, $75,	375.00
Kansas—$616.83	
N. W. Dist., Sunday Schools for H. L. Alley,	50.00
S. E. Dist., Parsons S. S. for Emma H. Eby,	4.10
S. W. Dist., Pleasant View Cong. for F. H. Crumpacker, $12.73; J. D. Yoder (Monitor) for Lulu U. Coffman, $550,	562.73
Maryland—$903.50	
B. Y. P. D.'s for Earl W. Flohr,	290.00
E. Dist., Sunday Schools for Ethel A. Roop,	613.50
Michigan—$137.79	
Phoebe M. Oaks (Woodland), for Ethel A. Roop budget, $75; Sunday Schools for Dr. J. Paul Gibbel, $52.79; Primary Departments for Haven Crumpacker, $5; Junior Departments for Maurine Miller, $5,	137.79
Missouri—$281.50	
Mid. Dist., Turkey Creek Cong. for Jennie Mohler, $28; No. 104323 (South Warrensburg) for Jennie Mohler, $250; Happy Hill S. S. for Jennie Mohler, $3.50,	281.50
Ohio—$1,397.43	
N. E. Dist., E. Nimishillen Cong. for Goldie Swartz, $100; Owl Creek Cong. for Lola Helser, $67.20; Olivet S. S. for A. D. Helser, $33.40,	200.60
N. W. Dist., Lick Creek Cong. for Elizabeth Kintner, $168.75; Eagle Creek S. S. for Lewis B. Flohr, $57.50; J. J. Anglemeyer's Y. P. Class, Eagle Creek S. S., for Julia A. Flohr, $57.50; Sunday Schools for Hattie Z. Alley, $363.08,	646.83
So. Dist., Sunday Schools for Elizabeth Baker,	550.00
Pennsylvania—$3,991.63	
E. Dist., Chiques Cong. for Alice Graybill, $550; Indian Creek Cong. for Sara Shisler, $300; Peach Blossom Cong. for Anna Hutchison, $70,	920.00
Mid. Dist., Carson Valley Cong. for A. G. Butterbaugh, $98.35; Everett Cong. for Dr. Carl Coffman, $143.61; New Enterprise Cong. for Fred M. Hollenberg, $500; Ellis and Carl Beaver (Lewistown) for Minor M. Myers, $135; Albright Cong. & S. S. for Olivia D. Ikenberry, $20; Everett S. S. for Dr. Carl Coffman, $47.09,	944.05
S. E. Dist., Green Tree Cong. for Nora Hollenberg,	125.00
So. Dist., No. 104057 (Upper Conewago) for E. L. Ikenberry, $500; Sunday Schools for Adam Ebey, $297.40,	797.40
W. Dist., Maple Spring, Tire Hill, and Quemahoning Congs. for Esther Beahm, $592.68; Scalp Level, Rummel, and Windber Congs. for Anna Z. Blough, $412.50; Sunday Schools of 7th Circuit, for Marie Brubaker, $200,	1,205.18
Virginia—$1,922.82	
First Dist., Oak Grove Cong. for Rebecca C. Wampler,	25.00
No. Dist., Greenmount Cong. for I. S. Long & Wife, $5, for F. J. Wampler, $5;	

Pleasant View Cong. for I. S. Long & Wife, $12.55; Unity Cong. for I. S. Long & Wife, $58.40; Congs. for I. S. Long & Wife, $500; I. C. Senger & Wife (Greenmount) for Sara Z. Myers, $250; Sunday Schools for Dr. F. J. Wampler, $286,	1,116.95
Sec. Dist., Barren Ridge Cong. for Nora Flory, $108.78; Bridgewater Cong. for Ella Flohr, $129.39; Lebanon Cong. for Chalmer Shull, $104.24; Pleasant Valley Cong. for Edna Flory, $10; Mae Lillie Cline (Lebanon) for Alfred Eugene Hollenberg, $90; Willie B. Cline (Lebanon) for Alfred Eugene Hollenberg, $20; Bridgewater S. S. for N. A. Seese, $275,	737.41
So. Dist., Cong. for Rebecca Wampler, $33.46; for Elsie Shickel, $10,	43.46
West Virginia—$25.00	
First Dist., Aid Soc.: Eglon for Anna B. Mow,	25.00
Total for the month,	$13.197.78
Total previously reported,	48,264.11
Total for the year,	$61,461.89

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MISSIONARY PROJECT WORKERS

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Southern Iowa		
English River	20	
Mt. Etna		20
Northeastern Kansas		
Ottawa	20	
Northwestern Kansas		
North Solomon	20	
Eastern Maryland		
Baltimore	12	
Green Hill	10	
Long Green Valley		15
Washington	84	
Michigan		
Thornapple		15
Middle Missouri		
Happy Hill	12	
Southern Missouri and Arkansas		
Peace Valley	16	
Nebraska		
Lincoln	30	15
North Dakota		
Kenmare		14
Northwestern Ohio		
Lick Creek	45	
Ross	20	
West Fulton	13	
Southern Ohio		
Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater)	19	
Piqua		20
Poplar Grove	31	
Salem	18	
Trotwood		25
Middle Pennsylvania		
Geiger	14	
Huntingdon		25
Spring Run		40
Southern Pennsylvania		
Antietam	60	
Codorus	10	
Falling Spring	65	25
Shippensburg	15	
Western Pennsylvania		
Pittsburgh	20	
Westmont		12
First Virginia		
Lynchburg	15	15
Peters Creek	15	
Oak Grove	10	
Roanoke, First	25	
Second Virginia		
Barren Ridge	85	

AFRICA NOTES

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Also in January our hearts were made to rejoice when Julia Ann Flohr gave her life to Jesus and received baptism.

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On Jan. 5 the Annual Meeting of the Church of the Brethren Mission in Africa was held at Garkida. Bro. Kulp and Dr. and Mrs. Burke attended this meeting. We were sorry that Mrs. Kulp, also, could not be with us. She, with the help of Risku, carried on the work at Dille in their absence.

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Dr. and Mrs. Robertson are hard at work on the language, as well as helping Dr. Gibbel in the hospital. Due to the absence of a builder this year Dr. Gibbel has had to take charge of the erection of the Ruth Royer Kulp Memorial Hospital.

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An examination of the schoolboys revealed the fact that only three were physically normal. Thus the need for a school and village health program. In January alone there were 2,235 treatments (average of 71 daily) given in the hospital. The people are learning to bring their fees for medicine. Regular services are held for patients, and the evangelistic spirit pervades all of the medical work. The doctor makes bimonthly trips to Gardemna to see after the needs of the sick there.

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Regular Sunday services are held at five other villages round about Garkida; also Bible instruction and reading classes three times a week. Through the faithful efforts of the native Christian boys regular Sunday services have been held at Gardemna since Bro. Mallott went on furlough. Then the latter part of January Bro. Flohr and family took over the work there. That means a much-depleted staff in the evangelistic and school work at Garkida. But God is blessing the work and by his help we shall carry on as best we can.

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Both the native Christians and the missionaries are praying as hard for the girls' school and the women's work as for any other one thing. The thirty some girls in school are doing very good work but the women's work is difficult. Polygamy sticks hard with those who have known nothing else. May God strengthen our faith, that some of the older men and women may be won for Christ. We have high hopes in the Christian boys who are taking such a strong stand on the side of monogamy.

The Time: The week of May 6 to 13, 1928.

The Occasion: An every-member solicitation in every congregation in the Brotherhood (except where the church carries a full budget fully subscribed for a calendar year including a " share " for the general church needs).

The Purpose: To secure sufficient cash and pledges in each congregation to make up its share for the year ending February 28, 1929, in the Conference Budget of $389,000 authorized by Hershey Conference in 1927.

The Plans: All the details have been placed in the hands of the treasurer and pastor or elder of each congregation to work out locally. It was made possible for them to order enough free Gospel Messengers to give to each member. This special issue was fully descriptive of the great interests of the church represented in the " pooled " budget.

Are you coöperating in your church " sharing in our common task "?

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For the Fiscal Year Ending February 29, 1928

Reports become more difficult and inadequate as work increases—and perhaps more useless. Especially is this true of the mission work of the church. It deals with life, faith, character and the spiritual elements of life. These cannot be well evaluated or standardized. The greatest blessings of world-wide evangelism are not represented in any statistics or even church membership alone, but in the Christian faith and hope that is permeating the thought life and conduct of people wherever Christ is lifted up. Neither does the report of any one year represent the zeal or effort of that year alone. The faith of departed ones is still bearing fruit. The gifts and work of the present generation shall have their richest harvest, perhaps, when we have passed on. So many have contributed in service, means, prayer, friendly counsel and criticism through the forty-three years since the first report that no one could give proper credit or value. The Lord has blessed your efforts and we praise him with all who have shared in the work.

Personnel

During the year many have volunteered for service, but owing to the limited funds, we sent but three to the foreign fields. These were Susan Stoner, of California, to India, and Dr. Russell Robertson, of North Carolina, and his wife, Bertha, from Illinois, to Africa. Feeling the need of strengthening the home churches, some increased effort was devoted to this work. Five years ago we had 129 foreign missionaries under the support of the Board. Now there are but 118 and some of these are detained from China and are temporarily supporting themselves. Remembering that in this time we have increased the workers in Africa by fourteen, it is easily seen that there has been a reduction of 25 missionaries in the two older fields in these five years. While there has been some sickness, and a few have returned home for this reason, yet there have been no deaths among our foreign workers during the year.

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Note.—The bold type date indicates the year when Board Members were first elected, the other date the year when Board Members' terms expire.

* Although Bro. Bonsack was not elected secretary until 1921 he has been connected with the Board since 1906.

All correspondence for the Board should be addressed to Elgin, Ill.

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India

The work in India has gone forward unhindered this past year. This is our oldest field and is now occupied by about 55 foreign missionaries under our Board, assisted by a staff of about 225 native workers. Baptisms were 365 for the year, which is a large increase over the year before. The church membership in India is now more than 3,800, with many more under Christian teaching. They had more than 4,000 in their various schools and gave about 30,000 treatments to patients in the hospitals during the year. No one can measure the extent of this service nor even imagine the need and opportunity even among the 1,200,000 people in the territory assigned to us.

The problems center around building self-supporting and indigenous churches and the best way of doing it, the kind of schools to educate toward self-support and the building of Christian character, the wise use of native Christians in service, and many more too numerous to mention. But to see the growing Christian men and women, the hundreds of boys and girls in school, the increasing number of Christian families and the light of the Christ radiating from the increasing number of villages gives assurance of increasing reward to our faith and gifts in this land of religious hunger.

China

The past year has been one of struggle in China. Civil wars, as they struggle for greater freedom, have torn the country asunder only to deepen the patriotic passion. This has made mission work difficult. But after the absence of missionaries for some months because of the American Consul's orders, ten of them were permitted to return and found the native church faithful and benefited for the most part by the brief experience of carrying the load. While years may be required for them to solve their national problems, it is the hour of urgent need and opportunity to share the light of the world with them. Many feel the largest opportunity Christianity has ever had just lies ahead in China.

While this is going on, the work has kept apace. The schools are more largely attended than a year ago. The hospitals are busy. Evangelism has been hindered most, yet quite a few baptisms have taken place, but we have no definite reports for the year. The work has gone forward by men separated from their families. All have assumed the risk of their lives in a land of bandits and wars. Many at home are only too anxious to share the life of risk with their brethren, if the Board had the funds, or felt the conditions in China justified permitting them to go. Meanwhile many are helping in the home field or engaged in other work temporarily to help meet the financial situation. All these workers need our prayers and especially the Chinese Christians who we believe are the nucleus of an increasing church in that land.

Africa

While the work in Africa is new, and we have been hindered from entering the larger territory hoped for, yet the work is going forward. They have now three stations fairly well developed, have baptized more than a dozen, with others waiting, among whom is a woman or two. Their new hospital provided by the Sisters' Aid Societies is nearing completion. Meanwhile they report more than 2,000 patients per month the past few months. But few can understand the difficulties in this pioneer field, where missionaries must reduce the language to writing, provide the scriptures and all literature, and in a climate almost unendurable for white people. But it is easy to believe that in 25 years the results may far exceed our hopes, if we are faithful to the need.

Home Field

History shows that the reaction to foreign missions has always been more zealous work at home. The past year increased attention, and investment of money was given to this work, and we believe wisely so. This was in the form of summer pastors, helping special places in isolated fields and District Boards that were facing special needs and opportunities. Much careful study and sympathetic counsel and supervision was given by the Board through the Home Secretary. This phase of our home work needs continued support and the District Mission Boards welcome our sympathetic coöperation. Loans on churchhouses have been extended so far as funds at hand permitted. These amounts could be increased with profit as well as the funds for the care of aged ministers and their dependent families. We cannot neglect the work in the home land, for more and more the pagan nations of the world are confused by what they learn of our Bible and Christ compared with what they hear through newspapers, and otherwise, of our conduct. Neither should we diminish our efforts in foreign missions lest we be found breaking the mirror that shows us our need of cleansing.

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Comparative Statement of Mission Funds

Receipts

	1926-1927	1927-1928	Increase
Contributions of living donors	$236,312.66	$215,391.75	$20,920.91*
Bequests and lapsed annuities, net income from investments, etc	77,901.20	61,225.42	16,675.78*
Miscellaneous	966.54		966.54*
	$315,180.40	$276,617.17	$38,563.23*
Endowments and annuities	$ 78,188.01	$105,214.74	$27,026.73
Relief donations	14,793.14	13,196.32	1,596.82*
Expenditures			
Administration	$ 12,159.58	$ 13,486.41	$ 1,326.83
Missionary education	15,836.31	18,833.53	2,997.22
India Mission	159,558.68	173,051.01	13,492.33
China Mission	69,406.03	69,013.68	392.35*
Sweden Mission	6,090.05	8,219.10	2,129.05
Denmark Mission	203.05	132.67	70.38*
Africa Mission	17,486.40	33,099.17	15,612.77
Home Mission	33,208.73	49,301.63	16,092.90
	$313,948.82	$365,137.20	$51,188.37

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* Decrease.

The foregoing statement shows how a decrease in receipts and an increase in expenditures have resulted in the very large deficit of $97,404.64 shown in the auditor's balance sheet of the General Mission Board. This deficit is largely an operating deficit for the current year, inasmuch as the year for which the report is made started with but a nominal deficit of $8,884.61. If more nearly all of the authorized Conference Budget had been realized, instead of but 68%, the figures would have changed from a deficit to a surplus.

The decrease in the Board's mission income is a large contributing cause to the deficit. It is difficult to explain all the factors entering into the matter of this shrinkage in income. However, an effort is made to do this in the Board's official report to Annual Conference to which reference is made for those interested.

Under Expenditures we find more than $50,000 increase over the previous year. This fact, together with more than $38,000 decrease in receipts makes apparent the net result at the end of the year. In explanation of the increase in expense, an analysis reveals the following: Under Administration, the increase is due largely to help to Foreign Missions Conference and stocking up of receipt forms and other stationery. Under Missionary Education, the increase is due largely to special solicitor in the field, special descriptive literature, and increased postage. India increase is altogether in new buildings. China mission had certain reductions in normal expense which was largely offset by expenses of about $5,000 incidental to war emergencies. The increase in Sweden is in paying off the Malmö church loan by installments. Africa expenses doubled in the year. About one third of the increase is in supports of more people, about one-third in regular operations, and one-third in new property items, the latter largely in the construction of the Memorial Hospital. The increase in Home Missions lies in extra assistance to weak Districts to the extent of $12,000; in pastorates, largely in now supporting two workers at Portland, Oregon; and for the construction of a new barn at the Greene County School.

General Mission Board.

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EDITOR'S NOTE

The Workers' Corner and Women's Departments have been omitted from this issue for want of space. As the June Visitor is regularly given over to the annual report, regular features must needs be omitted if space is not available.

No report for this issue has come from the missionaries in China. Civil war with all the attendant irregularities makes it very hard for them to give a report of the usual type.

SUPPORTS OF MISSIONARIES

The following individuals and organizations are at present on our honor roll as financial supporters of workers on the foreign field:

California—

Butterbaugh, Ira, two-thirds support of A. G. Butterbaugh, India.

Covina Missionary Class, one-half support of Henry K. Oberholtzer (son of I. E. Oberholtzer), China.

"Harmony Class" and "The Gang at Home," La Verne congregation, Edward L. Brubaker (son of Leland Brubaker), China.

La Verne congregation and Sunday-school, Lynn A. Blickenstaff and wife, India; John I. Kaylor, India.

La Verne "Mothers' Class," Stephen Claire Blickenstaff (son of L. A. Blickenstaff), India.

Lindsay congregation, Dr. Ida Metzger, India.

Long Beach Sunday-school, Lucile G. Heckman, Africa.

Northern California Sunday-schools, Minneva Neher, China.

Southern California Sunday-schools, Clarence C. Heckman, Africa.

Colorado—

Eastern Colorado congregations, Anna N. Crumpacker, China.

Nickey, S. G., of Sterling congregation, Dr. Barbara Nickey, India.

Idaho—

Idaho and Western Montana Christian Workers' Societies, Anetta C. Mow, India.

Idaho and Western Montana Sunday-schools, Dr. D. L. Horning, China.

Illinois—

Cerro Gordo Sunday-school, Dr. A. R. Cottrell, India.

Chicago, First, Sunday-school Elementary Depts., Floyd Mallott, Jr. (son of Floyd Mallott), Africa.

Chicago, First Sunday-school, Floyd Mallott, Africa.

Decatur Sunday school, Primary Dept., one-half support of Darlene Butterbaugh (daughter of A. G. Butterbaugh), India.

Franklin Grove congregation, Bertha L. Butterbaugh, India.

Mt. Morris College Missionary Society, D. J. Lichty, India.

Mt. Morris congregation, Ruth Ulery, China.

Mt. Morris Sunday-school, Sadie J. Miller, India.

Northern Illinois and Wisconsin Sunday-schools, Kathryn Garner, India.

Individuals and Sunday-schools of Okaw congregation, J. E. Wagoner, India.

Virden Sisters' Aid Society, one-half support of Leah Ruth Ebey (daughter of Adam Ebey), India.

Virden and Girard Sunday-schools, Dr. Laura M. Cottrell, India.

Wolf, J. E., and daughter, Edna, of Franklin Grove congregation, Mae Wolf, India.

Indiana—

Buck Creek congregation and Sunday-school, Nettie B. Summer, India.

Manchester College Sunday-school, Laura J. Shock, China.

Manchester College Student Volunteers, Clara Harper budget, $500, Africa.

Manchester Sunday-school, Alice K. Ebey, India.

Mexico congregation, Lillian Grisso, India.

Middle Indiana Sunday-schools, Mabel W. Moomaw, India.

Northern Indiana Sunday-schools, Mary Schaeffer, China; Marguerite Burke, budget, $550, Africa.

Rossville congregation, Minerva Metzger, China.

Southern Indiana Sunday-schools, W. J. Heisey, China.

Ladies' Missionary Society, First South Bend, partial support Dorothy Summer (daughter of B. F. Summer), India.

Iowa

Cedar Rapids Sunday-school, Emma Horning, China.

Dallas Center Sunday-school, Helser budget, $500, Africa.

Heagley, Rebecca, Mary K. Coffman (daughter of Dr. Carl Coffman), China.

Ivester congregation, partial support, W. Harlan Smith and family, China.

North English and English River Sunday-schools, Nettie M. Senger, China.

Panther Creek Sunday-school, one-half support of Olivia D. Ikenberry, China.

South Waterloo Sunday-school, Jennie B. Miller, India.

South Waterloo Christian Workers' Society and Aid Society, A. S. B. Miller, India.

South Waterloo Sunday-school, "Loyal Helpers' Class," one-half support of Josephine Miller (daughter of A. S. B. Miller), India.

South Waterloo Sunday-school, Primary Department, Marjorie Miller (daughter of A. S. B. Miller), India.

South Waterloo Sunday-school, Intermediate and Junior Departments, Lorita Shull (daughter of C. G. Shull), India.

Waterloo City congregation and Sunday-school, Mary S. Shull, India.

Kansas—

Northeastern Kansas Sunday-schools, Ella Ebbert, India.

Northwestern Kansas Sunday-schools, Howard L. Alley, India.

Southwestern Kansas congregations, Frank H. Crumpacker, China.

Yoder, J. D., of Monitor congregation, Lulu U. Coffman and Myrtle Pollock, China.

Maryland—

Hagerstown congregation, Harlan J. and Ruth F. Brooks, India.

Middle Maryland Sunday-schools, H. P. Garner and B. F. Summer, India.

Eastern Maryland Sunday-schools, Ethel A. Roop, India.

Y. P. D. of Maryland, D. C. and Delaware, Earl W. Flohr, Africa.

Michigan—

Michigan Sunday-schools, Dr. J. Paul Gibbel, Africa.

Michigan Sunday-schools, Primary Departments, Haven Crumpacker (daughter of F. H. Crumpacker), China.

Michigan Sunday-schools, Junior Departments, Maurine Miller (daughter of A. S. B. Miller), India.

Oaks, Phoebe M., of Woodland congregation, Ethel A. Roop budget, $150, India.

Missouri—

Middle Missouri congregations, one-half support of Jennie M. Mohler, India.

North Carolina—

Fraternity congregation, one-half support of Dr. Russell L. Robertson, Africa.

Ohio

Bear Creek congregation, Anna M. Lichty, India.

Cleveland and East Nimishillen congregations, Goldie E. Swartz, India.

Covington congregation, I. W. Moomaw, India.

Eagle Creek Sunday-school, one-half support of Lewis B. Flohr (son of Earl W. Flohr), Africa.

J. J. Anglemeyer's Y. P. Class, Eagle Creek, one-half support of Julia A. Flohr (daughter of Earl W. Flohr), Africa.

Freeburg Sunday-school, Sue R. Heisey, China.

Happy Corner Sunday-school (Lower Stillwater congregation), Betty Jean Brooks, (daughter of H. J. Brooks), India.

Hartville congregation, Anna B. Brumbaugh, India.

Lick Creek congregation, partial support, Elizabeth Kintner, India.

Northwestern Ohio Sunday-schools, Hattie Z. Alley, India.

Olivet congregation, A. D. Helser, Africa.

Olivet Aid Society, Esther Mae Helser (daughter of A. D. Helser), Africa.

Owl Creek congregation, one-half support, Lola Helser, Africa.

Pleasant View Sunday-school, Ellen H. Wagoner, India.

Salem congregation, Minnie F. Bright, China.

Southern Ohio Sunday-schools, Elizabeth Baker, China.

Trotwood congregation, Elizabeth Oberholtzer, China.

Pennsylvania—

Albright congregation and Sunday-school, one-half support of Olivia D. Ikenberry, China.

Beaver, Ellis and Carl of Lewistown congregation, Minor M. Myers, China.

Brandt, D. E., and family of Upper Conewago congregation, E. L. Eikenberry, China.

Carson Valley congregation, one-third support of A. G. Butterbaugh, India.

Chiques congregation, Alice M. Graybill, Sweden.

Conestoga congregation, Ida Buckingham, Sweden.

Coventry congregation, H. Stover Kulp, Africa.

Eastern Pennsylvania Sunday-schools, Kathryn Ziegler, India.

Everett congregation, Dr. Carl Coffman, China.

"Good Samaritan Bible Class," Walnut Grove congregation, one-third support of Anna Hutchison, China.

Green Tree congregation, Nora Hollenberg, India.

Huntingdon congregation and college, J. M Blough, India.

Indian Creek congregation, Sara Shisler, Africa.

Johnstown Sunday-school, Byron M. Flory, China.

Maple Spring (Quemahoning congregation), Esther Beahm, Africa.

Palmyra congregation, J. F. Graybill, Sweden.

Peach Blossom congregation, two-thirds support of Anna Hutchison, China.

Pittsburgh and Greensburg congregations, Leland S. Brubaker, China.

Richland congregation, B. Mary Royer, India.

Salunga Sunday-school (E. Petersburg congregation), Baxter M. Mow, India.

Scalp Level congregation, Dr. H. L. Burke (full support), Africa.

Seventh Circuit Sunday-schools, Marie W. Brubaker, China.

Shade Creek, Rummel, Scalp Level and Windber congregations, Anna Z. Blough, India.

Southern Pennsylvania Sunday-schools, Adam Ebey, India.

Spring Creek congregation, Eliza B. Miller, India.

Waynesboro congregation, Martha D. Horning, China.

Western Pennsylvania Sunday-schools, Ida Shumaker and Olive Widdowson, India; Grace Clapper, China, and William M. Beahm, Africa.

Mechanicsburg Sunday-school, "Willing Workers' Class," Lois Mow (partial support) (daughter of B. M. Mow), India.

Western Pennsylvania Young People's Council, Marguerite S. Burke, Africa.

Tennessee—

Sunday-schools of Tennessee, Anna B. Seese, China.

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The India Mission

Report for 1927

ONLY a few of the outstanding features of this great work can be included in this brief yearly report. Details, admitted to be important, must be omitted with the hope they will appear in the full 5-year report in contemplation.

In almost every department of the work optimism reigns. Churches report increasing membership, wider influence, more spirituality, a deeper interest in preaching the word and in the distribution of gospels and tracts. A new church building, made possible by the generous gift of a good brother in America, adds much to the interest and convenience of the congregation at Umalla.

The Bulsar and Vyara churches report a good interest in the tithing of income, the latter having raised upwards of Rs. 4000 toward the erection of a church building. These two churches have Indian pastors, partially supported by the congregations. At Bulsar Govindji K. Satvedi is in full charge as presiding elder. Several churches reported elections and ordinations. At Jalalpor two deacons were chosen and one elder ordained, viz., B. M. Mow. At Anklesvar 2 ministers were elected, and I. W. Moomaw and Mithalal Amthabhai were ordained elders. At Vyara the Indian pastor, Jivanji Haribhai, was ordained as an elder.

The Anklesvar church has taken over direct responsibility for management of evangelistic work. A scheme was initiated this year whereby the five churches of Gujarat plan to manage the evangelistic program of their districts, including village schools.

Emphasis has been placed on village evangelistic work. Touring among villages of the various districts has been general. A new village school was opened at Palghar. At Umalla in a village where for thirteen years the effort appeared fruitless a Bhil, his son, three other youths, and the father

Photo by E. Kintner

ELDER G. K. SATVEDI AND FAMILY. Brother Satvedi whose first name is Govindji and his wife Kankubai are faithful workers. She was left an orphan by the famine of 1900. Besides caring for her family she spends several hours daily at the dispensary where she talks to the women who come for medicine. Govindji also speaks to the men who come to the dispensary. He edits a small Gujarati paper issued under the direction of our mission. He is pastor and elder of the Bulsar church. He has written articles for our church papers.

Photo by E. Kintner

N. V. SOLANKY AND FAMILY. Brother Solanky and wife, Benabai, live at Khergam at the new girls' school about thirteen miles east of Bulsar. He supervises the district schools and evangelistic work and his wife is one of the teachers and house mother in the girls' school.

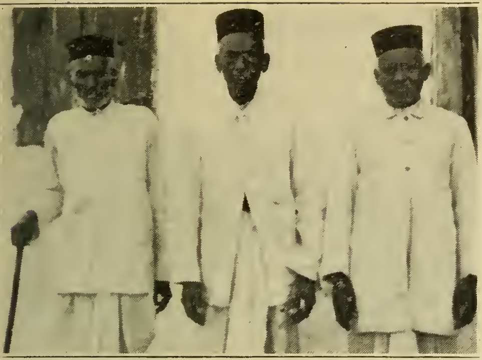
of the boarding school boy, faced strong opposition and accepted Christ. Patiently and devotedly a village teacher in the same territory endured the shameful persecution of his father, finally winning parental favor with no denial of his Lord.

In several places, Hindu Missionary Societies have made strenuous effort to win back Christians to Hinduism. A few tempted away have tasted again the flesh pots of sin and then returned to the Christian fold.

Of general interest and importance is the opening this year at Navsari by Brother and Sister B. M. Mow, of an effort to win Mohammedans to Christ.

Educational work has been carried on with good results. In schools everywhere effort has been made to strengthen and encourage teachers. In the Vyara Girls' Boarding School one teacher brought twenty-two new pupils into her primary class. At Dahanu a High School graduate has been added to the teaching staff, and the matron there has, with marked effort, improved the spiritual and moral uplift of the girl pupils. A Boarding School for girls opened at Khergam, fifteen miles from Bulsar, has met with splendid success. The schools at Jalalpor and Anklesvar show marked progress and in the latter a class is being prepared by the head master for vernacular final examinations. Bulletin boards in classrooms and character sheets in the hostel are proving valuable at Anklesvar. At Jalalpor for the first time girls from the fisher people were enrolled in the school. Emphasis generally at Vada has shifted from the station to the district, and the station Girls' School was closed. Both girls and boys are now provided for in a promising District Boarding School.

Boys' Boarding Schools continue to prosper. More boys apply for admission than



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OLDEST THREE CHRISTIANS OF OUR INDIA MISSION. Left to right Madhev, who was one of the first men baptized by Brother Wilbur Stover. The next is Ranchod (now deceased), who was one of the first Christians to work with Brother Stover. The third is Valjibhai, whose family came to Bulsar in 1901. He is the father of Elder Solanky, shown in another picture.

can be accommodated. At Vyara a course in agriculture for fifth and sixth standards under an agricultural specialist provides work in both classroom and field. At Palghar the Boys' School has been registered. Everywhere parents are showing improved interest by providing more of the necessary clothing for children, and students are more willingly taking up work in industrial projects. At Bulsar and Wankal the management was, toward the close of the year, placed in the hands of Indian Managing Committees. Practically every station reports splendid results in the matter of baptisms from among Boarding School pupils. Our Special Schools are steadily improving courses and even the Government is becoming interested in practical and classical courses as are offered in both our Vocational Training School and School of Practical Arts in Anklesvar. More industries are being developed; attention to business accounting on individual plots is being given; graduates are being prepared for teaching and home founding in the schools.

In the Vocational Training School, besides gardening and farming, Agricultural classes have taken over poultry raising. Carpenter classes have found practical work in assisting with building the Rhodes Memorial Hall. Family life and self-government in hostel groups and the Farm Boys' Coöperative Bank are proving successful.

The main medical work, at Bulsar and Dahanu, has been carried on with very satisfactory success. At Ahwa, Vada, and Umalla medicine is dispensed, and in almost every village visited by missionaries much good is accomplished in the distribution of simple remedies.

The new hospital at Dahanu has proved a great blessing to high and low caste, rich and poor. Especially in obstetrical cases, all expectations have been exceeded. The motor dispensary is proving a success in reaching many patients living great distances from the station. Needy cases from far places come in to the hospital for treatment.

The health of the Christian community has, for the most part, been good. Bubonic plague in a virulent form is in Bulsar and surrounding villages, but up to the close of the year none of the Christian community has become infected.

The year marked the passing into eternal rest of three of the oldest Indian Mission workers, Elder Lallubhai Kalidas, Ranchhod Madhav and Jivan Muktaji.

Early in the year, the Mission was visited with profit and encouragement to all, by the Home Board's Deputation, Brethren Bonsack and Yoder.

L. A. B.

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India Mission Statistics, 1927

TABLE NO. I. FOREIGN STAFF

Date of First Work in Field	Totals	Ordained Men	Unordained Men	Wives	Unmarried Women	Short Term Workers	Residence Stations
1894	*57	15	3	18	21		9

* 12 of this number on furlough.

TABLE V. PHILANTHROPIC

Mission Stations	Widows' H				Baby Ho.			
	Institutions	Total	Women	Children	Institutions	Total	Boys	Girls
Bulsar	1	22	10	12	...	...	...	...
Umalla-Vali *	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Totals	1	22	10	12	...	...	...	...

* No report from Umalla-Vali for Baby Home

TABLE II. THE CHURCH IN THE FIELD

Mission Stations	Native Staff				The Church									
	Total	Ordained Men	Unordained Men	Women	Organized Churches	Other Places Having Regular Services	Baptized During Year	Christian Community	Total Church Membership	Christians in Villages	Others Under Christian Instruction	Sunday Schools	S. S. Teachers and Pupils	Contributions for Church Work—Dollars
Ahwa	21		15	6	1	6	9	380	172	23	208	6	270	90
Anklesvar	26	3	14	9	3	15	78	1,200	994	626	100	20	674	688
Bulsar	26	2	19	5	1	3	65	635	274	103	440	5	851	247
Dahanu	4	1	2	1	1		5	109	47	4	50	3	100	100
Jalalpor	31	1	23	7	1	2	56	550	308	225	642	12	620	310
Palghar	7	1	5	1	1				40	9	44	2	110	
Umalla-Vali	28		20	8	2	3	32	683	406	256	275	9	413	235
Vada	10		5	5	1			66	38	8	95	1	20	76
Vyara	70	2	48	20	1	34	120	2,500	1,545	1,375	500	37	1,258	850
Totals	223	10	151	62	12	63	365	6,123	3,824	2,629	2,354	95	4,316	2,596

TABLE III. GENERAL EDUCATION

Mission Stations	Total Under Instruction —All Schools	Elem. Schools				High & Mid.				Ind. Schools				Teach. Train.				Edu. Fees, All Schools —Dollars
		Schools	Total Pupils	Boys	Girls	Schools	Total Pupils	Boys	Girls	Institutions	Total Students	Male	Female	Institutions	Total Students	Male	Female	
Ahwa	296	10	274	226	48	2	14	12	2	1	8	8	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Anklesvar	547	21	420	331	89	2	96	36	60	2	14	12	2	2	17	11	6	.....
Bulsar	718	18	624	538	86	2	57	57	0	1	37	37	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Dahanu	137	6	130	93	37	1	7	...	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Jalalpor	673	17	653	500	153	3	20	10	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	24
Palghar	129	3	100	93	7	1	29	28	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Umalla-Vali	388	8	345	321	24	2	43	43	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22
Vada	120	6	120	102	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Vyara	1,018	47	971	774	197	2	47	33	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Totals	4,026	136	3,637	2,978	659	15	313	219	91	4	59	57	2	2	17	11	6	46

TABLE IV. MEDICAL

Mission Stations	Foreign Staff			Native Staff				Hospitals and Dispensaries											
	Physicians, Men	Physicians, Women	Nurses	Physicians, Men	Physicians, Women	Trained Assistants, Men	Trained Assistants, Women	Hospitals	Beds in Foregoing	In-Patients	Dispensaries	Treatment in Dispensaries	Obstetrical Cases	Visits to Homes	Major Operations	Minor Operations	Total Individual Patients	Total Treatments	Medical Fees Rec'd, Dollars
Ahwa	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1,852	4	64	...	16	1,916	.....	.....
Bulsar	1	1	1	1	...	1	2	1	9	212	1	18,539	33	387	40	312	7,417	18,926	8,802
Dahanu	...	2	1	...	...	1	1	1	19	208	1	9,206	44	80	...	216	4,268	9,206	2,735
Vada	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	...	...	...	...	.....	.....	.....
Totals	1	3	2	1	...	2	3	2	28	420	3	29,597	81	531	40	544	13,601	28,132	11,537

The Africa Mission

REPORT FOR 1927

H. STOVER KULP

Education

It is encouraging when for each year we can see some distinct steps in advance in the educational work. Perhaps the year 1927 can be characterized by at least two such steps. (1) It was the first year when a good regular attendance was secured throughout the year. (2) The Girls' School was started in August of 1927. The endeavors of past years are bearing fruit and school is becoming more or less a regular part of the community life at Garkida. A Christian community can scarcely exist without Christian homes. Girls and women trained in Christian ideals must be the corner stones of such homes.

The spirit of evangelism in the school has been very fine. The teachers in the school were made happy to see fifteen pupils take their stand for Christ on May 29. By this step they entered a class preparatory for baptism. On June 12, the first four applicants were baptized by the Church of the Brethren in Africa. All of these were young men who were attending the school at the time. While it is hoped to make the school as good as possible from the educational standpoint, yet the primary aim is to lead the younger generation of Buraland to Christ and to train them to be effective workers for him.

The Boarding department of the Boys' School is making it possible to care for pupils who come from a distance, especially those who come from districts into which for the present we are not allowed by government to carry on missionary work. There are thirty-four boys from such districts, twenty coming from one district alone. Some of these have already asked to be received into the Church.

In August the Girls' School was begun. A good beginning has been made and although there are some hindrances to be overcome the work is gradually progressing. There were thirteen girls on the roll during the last quarter of the year.

All of the foregoing report concerns the Educational work at Garkida. The teaching at Gardemna and Dille was largely confined to the instruction of the employees of the mission and missionaries who had gone from Garkida to these stations.

Medical Work

No physician was on our field the last three months of 1926. Dr. Gibbel arrived just as the year was closing. Taking into consideration that the work was new to him and that he was largely occupied at the beginning with language study, the progress of the medical work was quite commendable. Miss Harper assisted in the medical work throughout the entire year. Mrs. Helser, who is a trained nurse, helped in operative work. Dr. and Mrs. Burke returned from furlough in December and proceeded to Dille station. Dr. and Mrs. Robertson came to the field at the same time. Both Mrs. Burke and Mrs. Robertson are trained nurses. The Robertsons have been stationed at Garkida for language work. At the same time they will be of great assistance to Dr. Gibbel who has taken charge of the erection of the Ruth Royer Kulp Memorial buildings. Risku and Yamta, the medical assistants, rendered valuable services throughout the year. Risku accompanied the Burkes to Dille.

After the middle of the year the work increased rapidly. There were over 300 new cases the third quarter. During the same period 700 vaccinations were done in the vicinity of Garkida and Gardemna. Smallpox broke out in the Whona tribe not far from Gardemna Station and Dr. Gibbel spent three days in the endemic area, performing about 350 vaccinations.

As the year closes the work continues to grow. In December alone there were 1,459 treatments. An examination by Dr. Robertson of 102 schoolboys revealed the fact that only three were physically normal. This bespeaks a great need for a community health program.

In laboratory work several cases of Hook Worm were demonstrated. These discoveries will be helpful in making plans for future sanitation and health work. The evangelistic spirit pervades all the medical service. Regular services are held for patients. Risku, the hospital assistant, was one of the first four to be baptized in June.

It should be mentioned that dispensary work was carried on at both Gardemna and Dille. Hundreds of treatments were given. Ulcers and fevers were the most common ailments.

Building and Industrial Work

Four residences were built in the beginning of the year, two at Garkida, one at Dille, and one at Gardemna. The group of industrial buildings was also completed in the fore part of the year. They will open the way for the carrying out of the industrial program of the school. As the year closed the work of building was centered upon the Ruth Royer Kulp Memorial buildings. These number three—a hospital, a doctor's residence and a nurse's residence.

In industrial education, in addition to rope making, mat weaving, carving native axe and hoe handles, considerable work was done in weaving and some first lessons were given in carpentry. Near the close of the year under the guidance of the instructors, the native looms were made to weave cloth much wider than the ordinary Bura cloth. A keen interest was shown by the Buras in this for it touches their own life. Cotton weaving is one of their principal industries.

All the boys in the school have a period each day when they work. They have been used to help in the building and to keep portions of the mission compound under cultivation.

The dignity of manual labor is being upheld and an outlet to a larger and fuller life is being made; a life that shall be adapted to their own conditions and which will fulfil their own needs in a Christian community.

Language and Literature

In the preparation of Literature the Language Committee coöperates with the Educational and Evangelistic Departments. During the year lessons in Hygiene and Arithmetic were put in mimeograph form for use in the schools. A portion of Pilgrim's Progress has been translated and is used as material for the reading classes in the school.

Old Testament Stories has been received from the press. A Song and Worship Book containing some forty songs and hymns in Bura as well as a goodly number of scripture selections has been sent to the press. The Book of Acts has been translated and as the year closes is ready to be sent to the printers.

Perhaps the most important Language work of the year has been the compiling of a Bura-English vocabulary. The most helpful feature of this has been the standardization of the spelling of these Bura words.

The six new missionaries as well as those sent to Dille have been engrossed in the study of a new language. In consideration of the fact that neither literature on these languages nor trained teachers are available commendable progress has been made.

Evangelistic Department

The year 1927 will be outstanding for at least three reasons. It witnessed the first baptisms and the beginning of the indigenous church. In 1927, the first village to do so, erected its own "church and school" building and asked for a teacher. Two new stations were opened.

At Garkida there were forty-five young men who had publicly convenanted to follow Christ. These were in classes for instruction until they would be sufficiency matured in biblical knowledge and character to warrant baptism. Four were baptized on June 12. What a glorious event! We wish that every member of the Church of the Brethren might have been there to receive the inspiration and to extend the right hand of fellowship. (Nine others were baptized early in January at the time of the 1928 Annual Meeting of the Mission.)

The work of witnessing and the giving of this group at Garkida is indeed gratifying. They support one of their own number who goes three times a week to conduct reading and Bible classes in a village some three or more miles away. They paid for the erection of a small building at Dille which is used as a church and school building. In addition they have contributed to many local needs about Garkida. Some of their number have conducted morning prayers daily in the two villages nearest the mission station. They are frequently called upon to conduct services in near-by villages and even at the Mission Station. After Bro. Mallott

Photo by Clarence Heckman

OLESHO AND MATAGI. Matagi is the woman who recently expressed her desire to follow Christ. She is likely to become the first full fledged Christian woman in the Africa Church of the Brethren. When asked if she counted the cost of being the first Bura woman Christian and possibly the only one for a while, she said, "I will follow him regardless of the cost."

went on furlough, two from their number went weekly and conducted services at Gardemna over the week end. This meant a walk of twenty-five miles or more.

A beginning of the village "church and school" idea has been made. The village of Wiaku Kwatigar erected their own structure and asked for a teacher. One of the Bura Christians goes three times a week to conduct Bible and Reading classes. Preaching is also held on Sunday. Four boys and two men have expressed the desire to become Christians. As the year closes other villages are making plans for similar church and school projects.

The coming to the field of the single sisters has given an impetus to women's work. In two villages classes twice a week are held for women.

Three evangelistic tours were made from Garkida. Twelve villages were visited.

New Stations

In the month of March both Gardemna and Dille were occupied. At both places it

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TABLE I. FOREIGN STAFF AFRICA

Date of First Work in Field	Totals	Ordained Men	Unordained Men	Wives	Unmarried Women	Residence Stations
1922	20	8	1	9	2	3

THE CHURCH IN THE FIELD

	Organized Churches	Other Places Having Regular Services	Baptized During the Year	Total Church Membership	Others Under Christian Instruction	Contributions—Dollars
Garkida	1	5	4	24	37	286.40

GENERAL EDUCATION

Elementary Schools	Total Under Instruction	Schools	Boys	Girls	Fees
Garkida	98	2	85	13	$35.40

MEDICAL

Mission Station	Foreign Staff		Native Staff	Hospitals and Disp.						
	Physicians, Men	Nurses	Trained Assistant	Hospitals	Beds in Foregoing	Dispensaries	Visits to Homes	Major Operations	Total Individual Patients	Total Treatments
Garkida	1	1	1	1	8	1	50	9	1,118	5,129

The Scandinavian Mission

Report for 1927

J. F. Graybill

SWEDEN

Since last year's report we have had the happy privilege of having with us the Mission Embassy, Brethren Bonsack and Yoder. While their time was rather limited they were able to take a hasty survey of the work here, visiting all the stations and holding services at all of them. We can not say they took a survey of the field. The field is the entire country, and we work only in the most southern province. They seemed to observe more development in the work than we who are constantly on the job.

We were also glad for Brother and Sister Winger's visit, if one can call it a visit. They were with us over night, all in all thirty-six hours. The best use was made of the short time and Brother Winger, who is used to work on high pressure, got a fairly good idea of our work. By the aid of rapid transit, the Ford, he was able to visit four of the five stations and preach a sermon in the Malmö church, in the evening.

Sunday-school and Junior work is moving along nicely with a steady increase in attendance and interest. One addition to the work in Malmö is open air services in one of the suburbs of the city during the summer months. People who never attend church services stop at these meetings and in this way receive a gospel message.

Our joint Young People's Organization is growing in number, interest and influence.

The Olseröd Mission is now well equipped for work, having during the past year erected and dedicated a new and convenient house of worship in a good location. During special occasions the capacity of the house is tested. There has been a steady growth at this place. Lately two were baptized and there is an applicant awaiting baptism. The writer held a series of meetings at this place in January which was well attended.

The young sister in preparation as evangelist was obliged to change her course on account of her health.

Our District Meeting has been one of the best of its kind since in Sweden. We have made a change in order to give time to more devotional meetings. This has proved to be practical, and there is a desire to continue this order. The spirit of the time is such as calls for more effort in fostering the spiritual side of life. There is so much to suppress the most vital side of our religion, and all efforts must be put forth to counteract worldly tendencies.

Last year one of our splendid young men of the Malmö Church went to the States, and at this writing one of our young sisters is about leaving. Both these young members have been active in church work and we do not like to see them leave us. We need them here. But since they have left, we are glad to help them to a place where they will have fellowship with the church of their choice. Our loss will be some others' gain. We are glad to hear of the good and friendly manner in which they are received and pray that they may enjoy their new homes and be of service to the Master in a strange land.

When you have the ear of our heavenly Father, remember the work of the Lord in Scandinavia. We need power, divine wisdom and grace.

DENMARK

The work in Denmark is still alive and fighting the good fight of faith. These members, with large families, hold the doctrine of our church dear to their hearts and are interested in the spiritual welfare of their children. They lack the proper leadership. We were glad the Mission Embassy was able to make a passing visit to this work. We are sure that during their short visit they could see what is needed, and what the possibilities might be under the proper leadership. We would not in the least reflect on the workers there, but age and other duties unfit them for the service required.

The Thy Church in Denmark, where the possibilities are greatest for our work, have decided, on account of the deficit in the General Mission Treasury, not to urge their needs at this time, but instead try and relieve the Board by establishing a Ministerial Support Fund, with weekly contributions, to help support the family to be sent some time in the future, when the Lord's Treasury in the Church of the Brethren is able to bear the expense involved. Does not this prove **faith, hope** and **good will?** May the Lord crown their efforts and blessing is sure to follow.

After reënforcement comes to Sweden, we will be able to give more time and encouragement to the work in Denmark, but this will not fully suffice. They need a family to live among them and shepherd them and win others to the fold.

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR SWEDEN, 1927

Congregation	Elders	Ministers	Evangelists	Missionaries	Deacons	Preaching Services	Prayer Meetings	Y. P. Meetings	Junior Meetings	Aid Society Meetings	Pastoral Visits	Council Meetings	Love Feasts	Sunday-schools	Baptized	Deaths	Cert. Granted	Cert. Received	Membership	Contribution to Relief Fund	Foreign Missions	Home Missions
Vannaberga	2	0	0	0	3	350	31	0	0	37	554	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	68	$ 304.05	$124.55	$ 614.93
Malmö	2	2	0	2	2	141	27	45	47	38	487	4	3	1	0	1	1	2	55	832.70	61.19	935.88
Olseröd	0	1	1	0	1	160	30	16	0	35	47	4	4	1	3	0	0	0	30	160.00	19.33	445.79
Kjävlinge	1	0	0	0	0	72	1	0	0	37	127	2	0	1	0	0	2	0	10	10.00	10.00	120.00
Simrishamn	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	7	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	7	20.00	35.00	35.00
	5	3	1	2	6	729	89	61	47	147	1,222	13	10	4	3	2	3	2	170	$1,326.75	$250.07	$2,151.60

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR SWEDEN. 1927

Missionaries' supports, including taxes	Kr. 7.219.56
Native workers' support, 6	11,035.00
Traveling expense	1.755.00
Rents	1.323.50
Property expenditures	128.21
Publication	663.10
Total	Kr. 22.124.37

Kroner 3.73 equal $1.00.

J. F. Graybill, Treas.

STATISTICAL REPORT FOR DENMARK, 1927

Congregations	Elders	Ministers	Deacons	Preaching Services	Prayer Meetings	Sunday-school	Bible Study	Pastoral Visits	Council Meetings	Love Feasts	Baptisms	Deaths	Membership	Foreign Mission Offer.	Home Mission Offering
Thy	1	1	3	32		1		11	2	1	2	1	46		$876.46
Wendsyssel	1	0	0	12	27	0	12	38	4	1	1	3	18	$16.00	
Total	2	1	3	44	27	1	12	49	6	2	3	4	64	$16.00	$876.46

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR DENMARK, 1927

Traveling expense	Kr. 114.08
Property expenditures	206.70
Publication	239.79
Total	Kr. 560.57

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FINANCIAL REPORT

of the General Mission Board of the Church of the Brethren
For the Year Ended February 29, 1928

MISSION INCOME AND EXPENSE

Income—			
World Wide—			
Contributions reported in Visitor	$ 72,990.58		
Conference Budget—1927 (Schedule 14)	28,543.58		
Special Supports (Schedule 20)	1,040.25		
Mission Building and Contingent Reserve (Schedule 18)	60,000.00	$ 162,574.41	
India Mission (Schedule 1)		41,549.09	
China Mission (Schedule 2)		17,810.72	
Sweden Mission (Schedule 3)		1,110.36	
Denmark Mission (Schedule 4)		8.95	
Africa Mission (Schedule 5)		33,508.99	
Home Missions (Schedule 6)		20,054.65	
Memo—			
From living donors	215,391.75		
From other sources	61,225.42		
Total Mission Income			$ 276,617.17
Deficit, February 29, 1928—			
World-Wide Missions		137,610.07	
Less balances—			
India funds (Schedule 1)	21,567.26		
China funds (Schedule 2)	2,213.00		
Africa funds (Schedule 5)	14,996.04		
Denmark funds (Schedule 4)	1,429.13	40,205.43	97,404.64
			$374,021.81
Deficit, February 28, 1927—			
World-Wide Missions		$ 61,955.44	
Less balances—			
India funds (Schedule 1)	$ 34,109.78		
China funds (Schedule 2)	2,945.70		
Africa funds (Schedule 5)	14,586.22		
Denmark funds (Schedule 4)	1,429.13	53,070.83	$ 8,884.61
Expense—			
Administration (Schedule 7)		13,486.41	
Missionary Education (Schedule 8)		18,833.53	
India Mission (Schedule 1)		173,051.01	
China Mission (Schedule 2)		69,013.68	
Sweden Mission (Schedule 3)		8,219.10	
Denmark Mission (Schedule 4)		132.67	
Africa Mission (Schedule 5)		33,099.17	
Home Missions (Schedule 6)		49,301.63	
Total Mission Expense			365,137.20
			$374,021.81

BALANCE SHEET

as at February 29, 1928

Assets

Cash—		
Cash in office	$ 300.00	
Cash in bank	11,681.91	$ 11,981.91
Commercial Notes—short term		1,053.03
Accounts Receivable—		
Foreign bills paid and advances	4,629.41	
Income Special	5,680.48	10,309.89
Advances to Field Treasurers (Schedule 21)		88,927.37
Total current resources		112,272.20
General Securities—		
Church Extension Bills Receivable (Schedule 16)	32,965.17	
Contingent Investments Receivable	125,308.71	158,273.88
Investments for Endowments and Annuities—		
First Mortgage Farm Loans	1,189,954.02	
City Real Estate Bonds	124,851.50	
Public Utility Bonds	297,850.00	
Railroad Bonds	44,723.75	
Brethren Publishing House	50,000.00	
Advances on Real Estate	24,151.08	
	1,731,530.35	
Less Reserve for investment losses	26,501.92	1,705,028.43
Mission Deficit—		
Overexpended mission funds		97,404.64
		$2,072,979.15

Liabilities

Notes Payable (Schedule 23)	$ 22,633.90	
Transmission Certificates (Schedule 22)	1,217.65	$ 23,851.55
Specific Funds—unexpended balances—		
Ministerial and Missionary Relief (Schedule 13)	34,012.80	
Miscellaneous Funds (Schedule 14)	19,251.84	53,264.64
Total current liabilities		77,116.19
Reserve Funds—		
Mission Building and Contingent Fund (Schedule 18)	62,979.05	
Reserve for Mission Advances	61,472.08	124,451.13
Special Funds—		
Church Extension Fund (Schedule 15)	42,811.85	
Contingent Agreements (Schedule 17)	125,308.71	168,120.56
Endowment and Annuity Funds—		
Mission endowment balances (Schedule 9)	566,498.84	
Miscellaneous endowment balances (Schedule 10)	110,364.32	
Endowment annuity bonds (Schedule 11)	669,989.61	
Mission annuity bonds (Schedule 12)	356,438.50	1,703,291.27
		$2,072,979.15

SCHEDULES

1. India Mission Fund

Balances, March 1, 1927—			
Rhodes Memorial Fund		$ 5,618.00	
Quinter Memorial Fund		6,571.91	
India School Dormitory Fund		2,375.00	
India Village Church Fund		950.00	
Anklesvar Church House Fund		3,938.45	
Vyara Church Bldg. Fund		54.00	
Ross Auto Fund		1,500.00	
Dahanu Hospital Bldg. Fund		13,102.42	$ 34,109.78
Receipts—			
Contributions reported in "Visitor"—			
Student F. F.—1926-27	$ 2,277.27		
Student F. F.—1927-28	389.42		
Aid Society Mission Fund—1927	1,819.53		
Foreign Missions Fund	2,047.93		
Junior League—1928	23.10		
India general donations	2,787.18		
India Native Worker	755.00		
India Boarding School	1,464.59		
India Share Plan	5,235.06		
Quinter Memorial Hospital	165.00		
Anklesvar Church House Fund	249.04		
Dahanu Hospital	33.25		
Vyara Church Bldg. Fund	310.86		
India Hospitals	101.99		
India Widows' Home	20.01	17,679.23	
Missionary Supports (Schedule 20)		22,848.54	
Endowment income (Schedule 19)			
India general endowment	547.54		
Rohrer Memorial	60.00	607.54	
Bequests (Schedule 24)		413.78	
Total receipts			41,549.09
From World Wide Fund to balance			118,959.40
			$194,618.27
Expenditures—			
American Missionaries—			
Supports		$ 37,276.03	
Medical expenses		157.00	
Furlough rents		1,620.15	
Sending to field		6,481.96	
Doctors' literature		150.00	
To Annual Conference		260.63	
Publications to field		147.46	
Unclassified expense		44.34	
Total expenses directed from home office			$ 46,137.57
Annual Budget Expenses (Field Operating)			
Ahwa—			
Boys' Board. School	$ 1,257.07		
Evangelistic	2,579.03		
Girls' Board. School	385.71		
Medical	170.66		
Property Expense	449.56		
Women's work	183.48	5,025.51	
Anklesvar—			
Evangelistic	3,440.35		
Girls Board. School	4,293.33		
Industrial School	199.68		
Property Expense	688.90		
Training School	310.01		
Vocational Training School	4,177.07		
Women's Work	385.29		
Less farm income	**95.56**	13,399.07	
Bulsar—			
Boys' Board. School	3,209.81		
Wankal Boys' Board. School	2,305.18		
Evangelistic	2,662.06		
Khergam Girls' Board. School	916.36		
Industrial School	744.99		
Medical	2,169.57		
Property Expense	686.27		
Women's work	45.68	12,739.92	
Dahanu—			
Evangelistic	1,252.60		
Girls' Board. School	1,803.71		
Medical	370.88		
Property Expense	610.86		
Women's work	308.31	4,346.36	
Jalalpor—			
Evangelistic	4,286.83		
Girls' Board. School	2,354.20		
Property Expense	471.78		
Women's work	470.65	7,583.46	
Palghar—			
Boys' Board. School	3,336.19		
Evangelistic	772.42		
Industrial School	15.91		
Property Expense	151.09	4,275.61	
Umalla—			
Boys' Board. School	3,638.11		
Evangelistic	2,181.67		
Industrial School	38.18		
Medical	39.65		
Property Expense	572.73		
Women's work	692.73	7,163.07	
Vada—			
Boys' Board. School	684.37		
Evangelistic	1,954.14		
Girls' Board. School	377.66		
Property Expense	140.89		
Women's work	200.21	3,357.27	
Vyara—			
Boys' Board. School	4,363.64		
Evangelistic	4,363.64		
Girls' Board. School	2,936.82		
Industrial School	436.36		
Property Expense	480.00		
Women's work	656.36	13,236.82	
General—			
Administrative Offices	752.58		
Baby Home	1,259.83		
Bible School	1,582.56		
Council Fees	25.45		
Famine Relief Fund	160.48		
Furlough	7,315.36		
Income tax	70.52		
Landour Property Expense	184.99		
Language School	680.59		
Medical	275.05		
Miss. Child. Rent and Travel	1,030.05		
Publishing	537.45		
Released Workers' Fund	1,454.36		

Social Welfare	172.80		
Training	281.19		
Vacations	987.64		
Widows' Home	459.75	17,230.65	
Total Annual Budget expenses			88,357.74
New Property (new land, buildings and equipment)			
Ahwa—			
Fence (balance)	119.11		
Garage	439.00	558.11	
Anklesvar—			
Bungalow No. 4	7,583.68		
Dept. Prin. House	2,869.23		
Land and grading ..	136.36		
Toilets	107.54		
Servants' Quarters ..	2,166.62	12,863.43	
Bulsar			
Hospital Line Wards	7,918.02		
Toilets (balance) ..	218.22	8,136.24	
Dahanu—			
Hospital Line Wards	2,274.57		
Nurses' Home	2,788.54		
Toilets	109.09	5,172.20	
Jalalpor—			
Land and grading ..	454.54		
Workers' Quarters	403.83	858.37	
Palghar—			
Shop		558.14	
Vada—			
Fence		56.95	
Total New Property projects completed..		28,203.44	
Cost of partly completed projects (to be itemized when completed)		19,521.78	
		47,725.22	
Less—the same last year	8,050.56		
—exchange adjustment	731.87	8,782.43	
Actual New Property expenditures			38,942.79
Gross expenditures ...			173,438.10
Less — gain in exchange—			
On Annual Budget expenses		268.68	
On New Property expenses		118.41	387.09
			173,051.01
Balances, February 29, 1928—			
Rhodes Memorial Fund		5,618.00	
Quinter Memorial Fund		6,571.91	
India School Dormitory Fund		2,375.00	
India Village Church Fund		950.00	
Anklesvar Church House Fund		4,187.49	
Vyara Church Building Fund		364.86	
Ross Auto Fund ...		1,500.00	21,567.26
			$194,618.27

2. China Mission Fund

Balances, March 1, 1927—			
Liao Chou Girls' School Building ..		$ 813.00	
Liao Chou X-Ray Fund		1,732.70	
Ping Ting Girls' Dormitory Fund .		400.00	$ 2,945.70
Receipts—			
Contributions reported in " Visitor "—			
Foreign Missions Fund ....$	1,023.96		
Junior League—1926	820.13		
China general donations	1,968.23		
China Native Worker	327.25		
China Boys' School	77.98		
China Girls' School	17.74		
China Share Plan ..	2,414.77		
China Hospitals	26.51		
Liao Chou Hospital	57.23	6,733.80	
Missionary Supports (Schedule 20)		10,872.82	
Endowment income (Schedule 19)		141.00	
Bequests (Schedule 24)		63.10	
Total receipts			17,810.72
From World Wide Fund to balance ...			50,470.26
			$ 71,226.68
Expenditures—			
American Missionaries—			
Supports		$ 31,041.52	
Medical expense		138.63	
Educational		85.34	
Furlough rents		1,447.17	
Sending to field		440.02	
Doctors' literature .		60.00	
To Annual Conference		243.03	
Publications to field		89.65	
Exchange on silver..		15.25	
War emergency expense		3,517.17	
Unclassified expense		102.62	
Total expenses directed from home office			$ 37,180.40
Annual Budget Expenses (Field Operating)			
Liao Chou—			
Rent ....$	42.51		
Repairs	136.51		
Boys' School	1,204.18		
Girls' School	857.06		
Men's Evangelistic .	1,247.75		
Women's Evangelistic	823.24		
Medical	1,762.76		
Language Teacher .	102.00		
Miscellaneous	86.77	6,262.78	
Ping Ting—			
Rent	50.00		
Repairs	384.35		
Boys' School	1,276.41		
Girls' School	951.56		
Men's Evangelistic	1,154.64		
Medical	2,434.41		
Language Teacher .	131.00		
Miscellaneous	135.93		
Middle School	1,994.29	8,512.59	
Shou Yang—			
Rent	29.73		
Repairs	145.52		
Boys' School	1,702.97		
Girls' School	529.72		

Men's Evangelistic	858.70		
Women's Evangelistic	95.56		
Medical	598.21		
Language Teacher	193.80		
Miscellaneous	142.97	4,297.18	
Tai Yuan—			
Rent	639.52		
Repairs	30.75		
Men's Evangelistic	500.85		
Women's Evangelistic	95.03		
Language Teachers	18.00		
Miscellaneous	30.10	1,314.25	
General—			
Agency Hire	375.00		
Building Dept. Expense Fund	49.00		
Furloughs	9,187.90		
Inter-furloughs	1,008.38		
Language School	324.60		
Miscellaneous	500.00		
Scholarships	55.00		
Tung Chou Tuition	68.75		
Chile, Shansi, Christian Ed. Ass'n.	62.50		
National Christian Council	240.00	11,871.13	
Total Annual Budget Expenses			32,257.93
New Property (new land, buildings and equipment)			
Liao Chou—			
Hospital beds	595.86		
Changing Girls' to Boys' School	4,070.75		
Hospital equipment	1,000.00		
Additional property	363.73		
X-Ray plant	732.70		
Furnishing private rooms in hospital	391.83		
Junior Church and S. S. equipment	71.94		
Agriculture equip.	18.00	7,244.81	
Ping Ting—			
Middle School Bldg.		800.00	
Shou Yang—			
Heisey Court	392.51		
Chinese Doctor's Residence	375.00		
Contagious wards	375.00	1,142.51	
General—			
Typewriter		102.80	
Total New Property projects completed		9,290.12	
Cost of partly completed projects (to be itemized when completed)		970.15	
		10,260.27	
Less the same last year		8,221.11	
Actual New Property expenditures			2,039.16
Gross expenditures			71,477.49
Less-Exchange gain-			
On Annual Budget expenses		2,218.97	
On New Property expenses		106.20	
Less-Rent Tientsin property		138.64	2,463.81
			69,013.68

Balances, February 29, 1928—			
Liao Chou Girls' School Building		813.00	
Liao Chou X-Ray		1,000.00	
Ping Ting Girls' Dormitory Fund		400.00	2,213.00
			$ 71,226.68

3. Sweden Mission Fund

Receipts—			
Contributions reported in "Visitor"		$ 84.41	
Missionary Supports (Schedule 20)		1,025.95	
Total receipts			$ 1,110.36
From World Wide Fund to balance			7,108.74
			$ 8,219.10
Expenditures—			
American Missionaries—			
Supports		$ 1,650.00	
Personal taxes (two years)		570.76	
Publications to field		11.92	$ 2,232.68
Annual Budget Expenses (Field operating)			
Malmö—			
Publication	$ 177.71		
Traveling expense	268.00		
Native worker	556.37		
Native Worker in preparation	175.54	1,177.62	
Simrishamn—			
Hall rent	26.13		
Traveling expense	14.74	40.87	
Olseröd—			
Native Worker	556.37		
Property expense	30.07		
Traveling expense	40.20	626.64	
Vannaberga—			
Native Worker	556.37		
Property expense	4.29		
Traveling expense	67.00	627.66	
Tingsryd—			
Native Worker	556.37		
Hall and house rent	201.00		
Traveling expense	40.20	797.57	
Kjävlinge—			
Native Worker	556.37		
House rent	127.57		
Traveling expense	40.20	724.14	
Total Annual Budget expense			3,994.50
New Property (new land, buildings and equipment)			
Malmö—			
Part payment church building			2,000.00
Gross expenditures			8,227.18
Less-Exchange gain-			
On Supports		4.15	
On Annual Budget Expenses		3.93	8.08
			$ 8,219.10

4. Denmark Mission Fund

Balance, March 1, 1927—		
Denmark Churchhouse Fund		$ 1,429.13
Receipts—		
Contributions reported in " Visitor "		8.95
From World Wide Fund to balance ..		123.72
		$ 1,561.80
Expenditures—		
Johansen traveling expense	$ 30.57	
Interest on church loan	48.70	
Publishing literature	64.26	
Property repairs ...	6.70	
Publications to field	7.62	
Gross expenditures ..		157.85
Less Exchange gain—	.58	
Refund 1926 advance	24.60	25.18
		132.67
Balance, February 29, 1928—		
Denmark Churchhouse Fund		1,429.13
		$ 1,561.80

5. Africa Mission Fund

Balance, March 1, 1927—			
Ruth Royer Kulp Memorial Hospital Fund		$ 9,151.74	
General Fund		5,434.48	14,586.22
Receipts—			
Contributions reported in " Visitor "—			
A. S. F. M. F. ....$	3,133.02		
Foreign Missions donations	1,023.97		
Junior League—1927	7,177.50		
B. Y. P. D.—1927 ..	2,910.69		
Africa general donations	6,599.36		
Africa Share Plan ..	887.64	21,732.18	
Transfer from Miscellaneous Funds (Schedule 14)		553.85	
Missionary Supports (Schedule 20)		11,222.96	
Total receipts			33,508.99
			$ 48,095.21
Expenditures—			
American Missionaries—			
Supports		$ 11,773.57	
Doctors' literature .		150.00	
Furlough rents		331.00	
Exchange on money		217.89	
To Annual Conference		81.39	
Publications to field		37.37	
Return on furlough		2,022.09	
Outfit allowances ..		300.00	
Sending to field		5,200.70	
Unclassified expense		24.24	
Total expense directed from home office			$ 20,138.25
Annual Budget Expenses (Field operating)			
Evangelistic		651.90	
Medical		1,011.10	
Educational		774.04	
General		1,142.08	
Residence equip. ..		2,479.35	
Upkeep of premises		612.77	
Upkeep of shop and motor		437.27	
Total Annual Budget Expenses			7,108.51
New Property (new land, buildings and equipment)			
Industrial Buildings		473.34	
Missionary Residence 1925		972.00	
Ford auto truck ...		1,188.86	
Total New Property projects completed		2,634.20	
Cost of partly completed projects (to be itemized when completed)		3,973.08	
		6,607.28	
Less the same last year ....$	689.03		
Less exchange adjustment	19.29	669.74	
Actual New Property Expense			5,937.54
Gross expenditures ..			33,184.30
Less Exchange gain—			
On Annual Budget Expenses		6.07	
On New Property Expenses		4.06	
Less Phelps - Stokes Fund gift		75.00	85.13
			33,099.17
Balances, February 29, 1928—			
Ruth Royer Kulp Memorial Hospital Fund		12,284.76	
General Fund		2,711.28	14,996.04
			$ 48,095.21

6. Home Missions Fund

Receipts—			
Contributions reported in " Visitor "—			
Student F. F. 1926-27 $	1,138.64		
Home general donations	18,026.55		
Greene County, Va., Mission donations	692.23	19,857.42	
Transfer from Miscellaneous Funds (Schedule 14)		197.23	
Total receipts			$ 20,054.65
From World Wide Fund to balance ..			29,246.98
			$ 49,301.63
Expenditures—			
Aid to Districts—			
Washington		$ 1,125.00	
So. Virginia		1,025.00	
No. Illinois & Wis.		2,466.67	
Southern Iowa		300.00	
Nebraska		1,500.00	
Northwestern Ohio		525.00	
Okla., P. T. & N. Mex.		1,200.00	
Virginia Regional ..		517.55	
Northern Iowa		300.00	
Florida & Georgia ..		650.00	

Michigan		450.00	
Northeastern Ohio		1,146.67	
Western Maryland		625.00	
Western Canada		950.00	
W. Pennsylvania		500.00	
So. Calif. & Ariz.		300.00	
Middle Missouri		150.00	
N. D. & E. Mont.		250.00	
No. California		250.00	
Southeastern Kansas		550.00	
N. & S. Carolina		175.00	
First Virginia		150.00	
Tennessee		5,000.00	
Idaho & W. Mont.		1,000.00	
Northern Missouri		500.00	
Southern Missouri		125.00	
Eastern Maryland		300.00	$ 22,030.89
Summer Pastorates—			
Canada circuits		292.06	
Maple Grove, Wis.		221.51	
Granada, Kansas		211.20	
Beaver, Iowa		286.00	
Pontiac, Mich.		340.20	
Antioch, Va.		259.81	
Georges Creek, Md.		219.83	
Galesburg, Kansas		263.45	
Shelton, S. C.		135.55	
Windber, Pa.		176.25	
E. Virginia circuits		158.50	
Carthage, Mo.		209.68	
Taylors Val., Tenn.) Flat Rock, N. C.)		208.39	
Mountain Val., Tenn.		198.28	
Richmond, Ind.		164.67	
Emmett, Idaho		223.24	
D. V. B. S.—E. Md.		209.75	
D. V. B. S.—Mich.		304.21	
Miscellaneous		5.85	4,088.43
Regular Pastorates—			
Johnson City, Tenn.		1,500.00	
Fort Worth, Texas		1,500.00	
Broadwater, Mo.		510.00	
Rosepine, La.		1,116.70	
No. St. Joseph, Mo.		665.25	
Portland, Ore. (with assistant)		2,167.16	
Fruitland and Citronelle, Ala.		450.00	7,909.11
Traveling Evangelists—			
Louisiana, W. Md., Okla., Sec. W. Va., Mo., Oregon (less offerings received)			981.23
Miscellaneous—			
Rural Church Com.		35.03	
Pub. to workers		1.04	36.07
Greene Co., Va., Mission — School operation—			
Workers' wages	3,338.00		
Pastor	257.00		
Commissary	969.75		
Light Plant	179.26		
Heating Plant	250.00		
Telephone dues	50.00	5,044.01	
School Equipment—			
Office supplies	50.00		
Dormitory equipment	150.00	200.00	
Farm Operation—			
Labor	967.58		
Fertilizer and lime	223.35		
Seed	100.00		
Cow peas and beans	52.50		
Cotton seed and calf meal	74.15		
Gas and oil	350.00		
Tires and repairs	140.00		
Auto and truck licenses	27.25		
Miscellaneous	192.10	2,126.93	
Farm Equipment—			
Fence	102.76		
Spray materials	24.73		
Small tools	45.88	173.77	
New Property—			
New Barn	2,422.92		
Storm Shed	75.00		
Silo	200.00		
Ensilage cutter	129.00		
Feed grinder	45.00		
	2,871.92		
Less cost of incompleted projects last year	38.32		
Actual New Property expense		2,833.60	
General—			
New Road	100.00		
Insurance Premium	67.50		
Miscellaneous	8.70	176.20	
Total expense		10,554.11	
Less income from—			
Board, room and tuition	1,020.05		
Farm	802.48		
Miscellaneous	10.45		
Fire loss	10.32	1,843.30	8,710.81
Home Secretary Department Expense—			
Advisory Council		36.50	
Information service		22.45	
Isolated members		50.26	
Miscellaneous		13.25	
Office rent		169.00	
Office stationery and supplies		147.57	
Postage and mailing		342.58	
Salaries and office help		3,981.23	
Telephone and telegraph		37.91	
Traveling expense		744.34	5,545.09
			$ 49,301.63

7. Administration Expense

General Secretary's Department—		
Boarding meetings	$ 641.59	
Foreign deputation	2,371.71	
Information service	36.75	
Medical examinations	27.00	
Contribution to Committee of Ref. & Counsel	1,080.00	
Camp Harmony Conference	170.00	
Miscellaneous	54.62	
Office rent	247.00	
Office stationery and supplies	89.05	
Postage	95.78	
Salaries and office help	3,885.69	
Student Volunteer work	172.26	
Telephone and telegraph	43.09	
Traveling expense	179.85	$ 9,094.39
Treasurer's Department—		
Auditing	136.31	
Fidelity Bonds	27.50	
Interest on borrowed money	287.50	
Miscellaneous	18.29	
Office rent	234.00	
Office stationery and supplies	829.19	
Postage and mailing	278.06	

Salaries and office help		2,429.30	
Telephone and telegraph		43.55	
Traveling expense		108.32	4,392.02
Total Administration expense			$ 13,486.41

8. Missionary Education

Missionary Visitor—			
Illustrating	$ 373.93		
Subscription blanks	48.72		
Printing and mailing (average circulation 13,300)	7,960.83	$ 8,383.48	
Less paid subscriptions		449.60	
Net cost of "Visitor"			$ 7,933.88
General—			
Deputation work	1,512.26		
Exhibits	60.17		
Mimeo supplies	211.09		
Missionary Education Movement	105.00		
Miscellaneous	10.78		
Mission Study—			
Outside purchases	407.97		
Our publications	259.99		
Office rent	351.00		
Office stationery and supplies	285.39		
Traveling expense	99.29		
Pamphlets, leaflets, etc.	2,468.34		
Postage and mailing	1,052.16		
Salaries and office help	4,407.16		
Stereopticons and slides	313.50		
Telephone and telegraph	29.64	11,573.74	
Less sales of—			
Outside purchases	187.03		
Our publications	389.06		
Slide rentals	98.00	674.09	
Net general expenses			10,899.65
Total Missionary Education Expense			$ 18,833.53

9. Mission Endowment

World Wide—				
Balance, March 1, 1927			$516,619.84	
Receipts numbered—				
96689	$ 500.00			
99344	18.56			
99368	31.44			
99783	950.00			
101772	50.00			
102630	1,000.00	$ 2,550.00		
Transfer from endowment annuities (death lapses) (Schedule 11)		34,520.00		
Total receipts			37,070.00	
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928				$553,689.84
India—				
Balance, March 1, 1927			7,459.00	
Receipts No. 97270			2,000.00	
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928				9,459.00
China—				
Balance, March 1, 1927			2,350.00	
No receipts				
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928				$ 2,350.00
H. H. Rohrer Memorial—				
Balance, March 1, 1927			1,000.00	
No receipts				
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928				1,000.00
Total Mis. Endowment				$566,498.84

10. Miscellaneous Endowment

Ministerial & Missionary Relief—			
Balance, March 1, 1927		$ 10.00	
No receipts			
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928			$ 10.00
Gospel Messenger—			
Balance, March 1, 1927		16,541.56	
Receipt No. 100578		35.00	
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928			16,576.56
Gish Estate—			
Balance, March 1, 1927		56,667.08	
No receipts			
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928			56,667.08
D. C. Moomaw Memorial—			
Balance, March 1, 1927		8,705.26	
Receipts		94.74	
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928			8,800.00
Book and Tract—			
Balance, March 1, 1927		28,270.68	
Receipts numbered—			
102314	$20.00		
103396	20.00	40.00	
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928			28,310.68
Total Miscellaneous Endowment			$110,364.32

11. Endowment Annuity Bonds

Balance, March 1, 1927		$673,889.61
Receipts numbered—		
96820	$ 300.00	
96851	500.00	
97037	500.00	
97297	300.00	
97764	250.00	
97914	7,000.00	
98340	200.00	
99199	500.00	
99254	1,000.00	
99597	500.00	
99705	2,000.00	
100141	100.00	
100591	1,000.00	
100888	2,000.00	
100965	100.00	
100996	200.00	
101005	100.00	
101480	500.00	
101613	2,000.00	
101771	3,500.00	
101938	1,350.00	
102057	300.00	
102362	100.00	
102442	5,200.00	
102892	1,000.00	
102893	50.00	
103212	50.00	
102297	20.00	
Total receipts		30,620.00
		704,509.61

Less—			
Transfers to World Wide endowment—(death lapses) (Schedule 9)		34,520.00	
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928			$669,989.61

12. Mission Endowment Bonds

Balance, March 1, 1927		$ 28,643.62	
Receipts numbered—			
96561	$ 250.00		
96929	500.00		
97032	500.00		
97218	385.00		
97253	15.00		
97341	1,000.00		
97466	100.00		
97467	10,000.00		
97590	2,000.00		
100220	500.00		
101183	4,000.00		
101483	5,000.00		
101511	500.00		
102034	5,000.00		
102192	65.00		
102313	5,000.00		
102835	10,125.00		
103112	1,000.00		
103113	1,000.00		
103207	100.00		
103273	100.00		
103274	700.00		
103473	20,000.00		
J-208	35.00		
103587	1,000.00		
103960	1,000.00		
Total receipts		69,875.00	
		388,138.50	
Less—			
Transfers to Bequests and Lapsed Annuities (death lapses) (Schedule 24)		31,700.00	
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928			$356,438.50

13. Ministerial and Missionary Relief

Balance, March 1, 1927		$ 28,643.62	
Receipts—			
Donations ....$	173.50		
Refunds on support	69.95		
Breth. Pub. House (Schedule 25)	8,000.00		
Conference Budget (Schedule 14)	9,845.53		
Gish Estate endowment (Schedule 19)	680.00		
General endowment	.60		
Total receipts		18,769.58	
		47,413.20	
Expenditures—			
In assistance to ministers, their widows or orphans		13,400.40	
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928			$ 34,012.80

14. Miscellaneous Funds

General Relief and Reconstruction—			
Balance, March 1, 1927		$ 145.01	
Receipts—			
Donations reported in "Visitor"—			
Near East Relief ..$	2,448.21		
Armenian Relief ..	17.25		
General Relief	81.00		
Mississippi Valley Flood Relief	630.83		
Total receipts		3,177.29	
		3,322.30	
Expenditures—			
Near East Relief, Philadelphia, Pa.	80.00		
Near East Relief, Indianapolis, Ind.	29.98		
Near East Relief, Omaha, Nebr. ..	12.00		
Near East Relief, New York	2,343.48		
National Red Cross, Washington, D. C.	655.83		
Russian Relief Commission	50.00		
Balance on German Relief	38.50		
Total expenditures .		3,209.79	
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928			$ 112.51
Sundry Balances*			
Japan Mission			98.80
Philippine Mission ..			81.40
Porto Rico Mission			234.42
Arab Mission			50.00
So. American Mission			152.34
New Eng. Mission .			202.50
Southern Native White Mission ...		197.23	
Transfer to Home Mis. (Schedule 6)		197.23	
Cuba Mission			331.27
Australia Mission ..			16.00
Jerusalem Mission ..			200.66
Colored Mission ...	156.10		
Colored Mission Industrial	397.75	553.85	
Transfer to Africa Mis. (Schedule 5)		553.85	

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* Same balances as a year ago except as noted.

Italian Mission—			
Receipts—			
Donations reported in "Visitor" ...		10.00	
Expenditures—			
Sent to D. M. B. of S. E. Pa., N. J. & N. Y.		10.00	
Student Loan Fund—			
Balance, March 1, 1927		5,739.53	
Receipts—			
Donations reported in "Visitor" ...	36.83		
Conference Budget (Schedule 14) ...	1,299.07		
Repayment of loans—			
Principal	850.00		
Interest	194.07	2,379.97	
Total receipts		8,119.50	
Expenditures—			
Loans to students		300.00	
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928			7,819.50
Stover Lecture Foundation—			
Balance, March 1, 1927		277.47	
Receipts—			
Interest from investment		58.20	

Balance, Feb. 29, 1928			335.67
Gish Pub. Fund*—			
Balance, March 1, 1927		3,692.28	
Receipts—			
By sales of books	1,414.85		
Gish Estate endowment (Schedule 19)	2,720.02	4,134.87	
Total receipts		7,827.15	
Expenditures—			
Purchase of books	4,468.84		
Printing, etc.	31.53	4,500.37	
Balance, Feb 29, 1928			3,326.78

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* See details elsewhere in this issue.

Conference Budget—			
Balance, March 1, 1927		4,280.00	
Receipts—			
Contributions reported in "Visitor"—			
Conference Budget	66,120.46		
Conference Budget Designated	193.93		
March World Service	1,585.00		
Total receipts		67,899.39	
		72,179.39	
Expenditures—			
General expense—			
Literature and general printing	384.67		
Miscellaneous	39.29		
Stationery and supplies	152.08		
Postage	735.93		
Office rent	130.00		
Salaries and office help	4,445.09		
Traveling expense	340.14		
	6,227.20		
Less expense balance from last year	133.63	6,093.57	
Distribution—			
World Wide Missions		28,543.58	
Church Extension (Schedule 15)		6,579.35	
Ministerial & Missionary Relief (Schedule 13)		9,845.53	
Student Loan (Schedule 14)		1,299.07	
General Sunday School Board		8,938.91	
General Educational Board		2,003.81	
General Ministerial Board		3,339.68	
General Music Committee		200.38	
General Welfare Board		4,667.57	
American Bible Society		667.94	
		72,179.39	

Book and Tract Work—			
Balance, March 1, 1927		2,118.15	
Receipts—			
Endowment note interest	76.20		
Endowment income (Schedule 19)	1,696.54		
Sale of tracts	42.78		
Transfer from Tract Examining Committee	713.06	2,528.58	
Total receipts		4,646.73	
Expenditures—			
Missionary Gospel Messengers	511.00		
Rebates on endowments	68.80		
Tract mailing	138.01		
Tract publication	61.94		
Manuscripts	15.00		
Total expenditures		794.75	
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928			3,851.98
Gish Testament Fund—			
Receipts—			
Sales by Brethren Publishing House (Schedule 25)		347.11	
Less Deficit, March 1, 1927		143.14	
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928			203.97
Denmark Poor Fund—			
Balance, March 1, 1927		2,334.44	
Receipts—none			
Expenditures—			
In assistance to Danish Brethren		100.40	
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928			2,234.04
Total of Miscellaneous Funds			$ 19,251.84

15. Church Extension Fund

Balance, March 1, 1927		$ 36,085.04	
Receipts—			
Contributions reported in "Visitor"	$ 100.00		
Conference Budget (Schedule 14)	6,579.35		
Interest on loans	97.46		
Total receipts		6,776.81	
		42,861.85	
Expenditures (Transfer)—			
Loss on Garfield, Colo. loan		50.00	
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928			$ 42,811.85

16. Church Extension Bills Receivable

Balance, March 1, 1927		$ 21,693.11	
Loans made—			
Brooksville, Fla.	$ 800.00		
Battle Creek, Mich.	3,500.00		
Cleveland, Ohio	5,000.00		
Phoenix, Ariz.	600.00		
Johnson City, Tenn.	5,000.00		
Total loans made		14,900.00	
		36,593.11	
Payments on loans—			
Vidora, Canada	300.00		
Oklahoma City, Okla.	38.11		
Mt. Garfield, Colo.	50.00		
Figarden, Calif.	200.00		
Oakland, Calif.	1,050.00		
Rockford, Ill.	800.00		
Fresno, Calif.	500.00		
N. Spokane, Wash.	29.83		
Detroit, Mich.	500.00		
Lakeland, Fla.	160.00	3,627.94	
Balance Feb. 29, 1928			$ 32,965.17

17. Contingent Agreements

Balance, March 1, 1927	$ 79,408.53	
Receipts—		
For year (7 items) ..	49,194.82	
	128,603.35	
Less—		
Transfers	3,294.64	
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928		$125,308.71

18. Mission Building and Contingent Reserve

Balance, March 1, 1927		$ 56,224.44	
Receipts—			
Contingent Investments Receivable .$	100.00		
Bequests & Lapsed Annuities (Schedule 24)	44,657.40		
Brethren Pub. House (Schedule 25)	36,697.18		
Investment Expense and Income (Schedule 19)	12,457.78		
Total receipts		93,912.36	
		150,136.80	
Expenditures—			
Transfer to World Wide Fund	60,000.00		
Transfer to Reserve for investment Losses (Sched. 26)	27,157.75	87,157.75	
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928			$ 62,979.05

19. Investment Income and Expense

Receipts—			
Interest received from—			
Endowment contracts		$ 304.51	
Farm Mortgage loans		62,929.40	
Public Utility bonds		11,358.34	
Railroad bonds		1,933.48	
City Real Estate bonds		4,398|80	
Short Term loans ..		1,023.94	
Local bank balances		585.34	
Foreign bank bal.		199.84	
Total receipts			$ 82,733.65
Expenditures—			
Annuities paid		57,192.02	
Endowment income transferred—			
Rohrer Memorial (Schedule 1) ....$	60.00		
India general (Schedule 1)	547.54		
China general (Schedule 2) ...	141.00		
Ministerial & Missionary Relief (Schedule 13) ...	.60		
Gish Estate—			
Pub. Fund (Schedule 14)	2,720.02		
Ministerial & Missionary Relief (Schedule 13) ...	680.00		
D. C. Moomaw Memorial	525.19		
Book and Tract Work (Schedule 14)	1,696.54		
Gospel Messenger (Schedule 25) ...	993.16		
C. C. Wenger Trust	180.00	7,544.05	
General expenses—			
Legal papers	5.35		
Annuity publicity	162.54		
Auditing	68.16		
Fidelity bonds	27.50		
Information service	79.20		
Legal services ...	37.55		
Loan agencies	240.02		
Miscellaneous	15.05		
Office rent	169.00		
Securities safe ...	964.80		
Office stationery and supplies	78.49		
Postage and mailing	164.64		
Recording fees ...	3.00		
Salaries and office help	3,251.00		
Telephone and telegraph	42.85		
Traveling expense	230.05	5,539.80	
Total expenditures		70,275.97	
Net receipts to Mission Building and Contingent Reserve (Sched. 18)		12,457.78	
			$ 82,733.65

20. Missionary Supports

Receipts—			
Contributions reported in "Visitor" (credited to supporting accounts)			$ 61,461.89
Deficit, March 1, 1927		$ 14,451.37	
Transfers—			
Net receipts after charging off deficit were credited to—			
India Mission Fund (Schedule 1) .....$	22,848.54		
China Mission Fund (Schedule 2)	10,872.82		
Sweden Mission Fund (Schedule 3)	1,025.95		
Africa Mission Fund (Schedule 5)	11,222.96		
World Wide Mission Fund	1,040.25		
Total transfers		47,010.52	$ 61,461.89

21. Advances to Field Treasurers

India Treasurer—			
Balance on field, March 1, 1927		$ 32,357.87	
Charged for—			
Drafts paid ....$	155,000.00		
Advices sent	13,179.29		
Other transfers ..	871.17	169,050.46	
		201,408.23	
Credited for—			
Expenditures on field		169,790.57	
Balance on field, February 29, 1928 .			$ 31,617.76
China Treasurer—			
Balance on field, March 1, 1927		27,651.08	
Charged for—			
Drafts paid	43,640.00		
Advices sent	16,451.41		
Other transfers ..	950.49	61,041.90	
		88,692.98	
Credited for—			
Expenditures on field		68,141.26	
Balance on field, February 29, 1928 .			20,551.72

Sweden Treasurer—			
Balance on field, March 1, 1927		3,304.21	
Charged for—			
Draft remittances	5,101.80		
Other transfers ...	814.22	5,916.02	
		9,220.23	
Credited for—			
Expenditures on field		6,271.31	
Balance on field, February 29, 1928 .			2,948.92
Denmark Treasurer—			
Charged for—			
Draft remittances	267.50		
Other transfers ...	62.22	329.72	
Credited for—			
Expenditures on field		149.65	
Balance on field, February 29, 1928 .			180.07
Africa Treasurer—			
Balance on field, March 1, 1927		20,065.70	
Charged for—			
Funds transferred	29,201.26		
Advices sent	11,966.17		
Other transfers ..	539.29	41,706.72	
		61,772.42	
Credited for—			
Expenditures on field		28,974.50	
Balance on field, February 29, 1928 .			32,797.92
Greene Co., Va., Mission Treasurer—			
Balance on field, March 1, 1927		629.74	
Charged for—			
Advances by check		10,700.00	
		11,329.74	
Credited for—			
Expenditures incurred		10,498.76	
Balance on field, February 29, 1928 .			830.98
Total Advances to Field Treasurers ...			$ 88,927.37

22. Transmission Certificates

Balance outstanding March 1, 1927	$ 3,859.70

Receipts—

Numbered

96621	$ 15.00	J.204	$ 8.47
97025	76.25	100953	10.00
97161	5.25	100987	5.00
97191	28.50	101047	41.50
97255	25.00	101203	5.00
97328	9.00	101309	4.05
97403	162.15	101380	37.75
J.187	100.00	101579	10.00
97464	34.35	101621	7.00
J.189	137.71	101677	15.00
97571	33.00	102061	10.00
97599	10.00	J.207	4.00
98460	3.00	J.207	3.00
98966	161.00	102241	64.50
99641	2.67	J.208	102.00
99786	10.00	102475	2.10
99786	10.00	102583	5.00
99786	10.00	J.208	30.00
99793	17.00	J.208	50.00
99917	20.00	J.208	50.00
J.199	14.13	J.208	50.00
100111	43.00	J.208	50.00
100195	10.00	J.208	50.00
J.201	396.42	J.208	50.00
100195	10.00	J.208	50.00
100481	5.00	103177	10.00
100611	7.00	103319	11.50
100694	16.00	103377	5.00
100727	20.00	103426	25.00
100822	3.00	103528	10.00
100831	18.60	103662	5.00
100831	6.15	103703	20.00
100831	6.15	104454	20.00
J.204	24.30		

Total receipts for which Certificates Nos. 2508-2572 were issued	2,210.50
	6,070.20
Expenditures—	
Certificates redeemed	4,852.55
Balance outstanding, February 29, 1928	$ 1,217.65

23. Notes Payable

Balance, March 1, 1927	633.90	
Receipts—		
Money borrowed	42,000.00	
	42,633.90	
Expenditures—		
Notes paid off	20,000.00	
Balance, February 29, 1928		$ 22,633.90

24. Bequests and Lapsed Annuities

Receipts—

From bequests—

Numbered—

96694	M. B. & C. R.	$ 569.58
97270	India	60.68
97321	India	300.00
97321	China	10.00
97441	M. B. & C. R.	200.00
99275	M. B. & C. R.	1,079.84
99438	M. B. & C. R.	3,512.30
99440	M. B. & C. R.	100.00
99660	M. B. & C. R.	467.80
99734	M. B. & C. R.	1,400.00
100140	M. B. & C. R.	106.20
100140	India	53.10
100140	China	53.10
100229	M. B. & C. R.	4,998.34
101938	M. B. & C. R.	207.79
103748	M. B. & C. R.	500.00
104011	M. B. & C. R.	110.75

Total from bequests .	$ 13,729.48	
From lapsed annuities (Schedule 12) for M. B. & C. R.	31,700.00	
Total receipts		$ 45,429.48
Expenditures—		
Transfers to—		
India Mission Fund (Schedule 1)	413.78	
China Mission Fund (Schedule 2)	63.10	
Advances, costs of estates	295.20	
Transfer to M. B. & C. R. (Schedule 18)	44,657.40	
Total expenditures and transfers		$ 45,429.48

25. Brethren Publishing House

Receipts—

1926-1927 earnings turned over	$ 40,000.00

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Statement of Gish Publishing Fund for Year Ending Feb. 29, 1928

		3-1-27 Invty.	Bought	Sold to B. P. H.	Sold to Ministers	Invty. 2-29-28	Loss on Sales to Ministers	
11	Bible Dictionary,	31	50	7	23	51	@$ .98	$ 22.54
15	Eternal Verities,	12			11	1	.23	2.53
19	Modern Secret Societies,	27		1	16	10	.75	12.00
23	Cruden's Concordance,	8	100	2	28	78	.68	19.04
26	Bible Atlas,	7	25		11	21	1.58	17.38
31	Twelve Apostles,	237		12	32	193	.36	11.52
33	Sick, Dying, Dead,	199		2	22	175	.21	4.62
36	Universalism Against Itself,	225			11	214	.11	1.21
37	Problems of Pulpit & Platform,	115		1	17	97	.12	2.04
68	Archæology and The Bible,	25	25		19	31	1.29	24.51
86	A History of the Christian Church,	15	50		33	32	1.36	44.88
92	Greatness and Simplicity of the Christian Faith,	50				50		
93	Essentials of Evangelism,	24			1	23	.48	.48
93A	A Man and His Money,	8				8		
95	Parish Evangelism,	35			1	34	.47	.47
97	The Heart of the Old Testament,	7				7		
101	The Christian and His Money Problems,	3			1	2	.52	.52
102	Pastor's Manual,	117	450	13	124	430	.86	106.64
107	Report of Washington Missionary Conference,	4	25		17	12	1.18	20.06
108	The One Volume Bible Commentary,	30	150	5	109	66	1.25	136.25
109	The Minister's Everyday Life,	34			34		.67	22.78
110	The Highest Office,	44			40	4	.77	30.80
111	Visitation Evangelism,	35	100	7	76	52	.51	38.76
112	Devotional Leadership,	31			31		.51	15.81
113	Reality and Religion,	42			42		.37	15.54
114	Reality in Worship,	98	25		99	24	.62	61.38
115	The Mother of Jesus,	50			50		.32	16.00
116	The Local Church,	56	100		100	56	.42	42.00
117	What Is Faith,	98	20		94	24	.64	60.16
118	Never Man So Spake,	71			71		.57	40.47
119	Five Laws That Govern Prayer,	27	125	1	128	23	.44	56.32
120	A Christian Program for the Rural Community,	35	100		98	37	.51	49.98
121	The Clash of Color,	51	100		92	59	.53	48.76
122	Educational Blue Book & Directory of the Church of the Brethren,	38	50		76	12		
123	Education for Peace,	32	75		102	5	.43	43.86
124	How Jesus Won Men,		250		156	94	.52	81.12
125	The Christian Doctrine of Peace,		233		143	90	1.37	195.91
126	The Church and Missions,		250	2	151	97	.47	70.97
127	The Virgin Birth,		250		153	97	.50	76.50
128	The Church's Program for Young People,		250	3	171	76	.77	131.67
129	The English of the Pulpit,		250		147	103	.43	63.21

130	What to Preach, ...		250		161	89	.37	59.57
131	The Christ of the Indian Road, ...		250	10	188	52	.52	97.76
132	The Portion of the Children, ...		250		190	60	.72	136.80
133	Qualifying Men for Church Work, ...		250		153	97	.62	94.86
134	Dramas of the Bible, ...		317		150	167	.16	24.00
135	World Missionary Atlas, ...		60		60		.50	30.00
		1,921	4,430	66	3,432	2,853		$2,031.68

Statement of the Fund

By **Balance** on hand March 1, 1927, ...		$3,692.28
Sales, 3,432 books to ministers, ...	$1,352.96	
Sales, 66 books to B. P. H. @ cost, ...	61.89	1,414.85
Income Gish Estate Endowment, ...		2,720.02
		$7,827.15
To cost of 4,430 books bought, ...	$3,669.32	
Postage & packing on same, ...	799.52	
Printing bills, ...	28.18	
Replace books lost by fire, ...	3.35	4,500.37
Balance on hand February 29, 1928, ...		$3,326.78

Proof of Inventory Value

Inventory value March 1, 1927, ...	$1,386.97	
Cost of books bought	4,468.84	$5,855.81
By sales to B. P. H. @ cost, ...	61.89	
By sales to ministers, ...	1,352.96	
Loss on sales to ministers, ...	2,031.68	
Inventory value Feb. 29, 1928, ...	2,407.32	
Adjustment inventory value of last year, ...	1.96	$5,855.81

AFRICA NOTES

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by so doing to help each other and other Christian boys that will marry to live the Christian principle of monogamy. By building relatively close they are making it possible for their wives to attend the Girls' School. Two of these women are now reading in the Second Reader, one of whom has made commendable progress. They have daily Bible instruction and they are able to relate many of the Life of Christ Stories. Will you not pray for these three families and others that are looking forward to joining them? It would be more ideal if our boys could marry Christian wives. We are hoping that there will be some girls ready to decide for Christ soon.

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The motorcycle which the Sunday-school of the First Church, South Bend, Indiana, so graciously provided for the Africa Mission, arrived here safely on its own feet, February 9. Dr. Gibbel made the trip from Jos to Garkida, a distance of 275 miles through the hot sun and sand, in 48 hours. This will be very useful especially to the doctors in making quick trips over roads on which it would be impossible for the Ford truck to travel, especially during some seasons of the year.

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The end of February finds the walls of the Hospital Ward and the Doctor's Residence half way up. The building of the Memorial Hospital walls is being held up pending the arrival of some necessary building materials. The number of patients is increasing which makes it the more urgent that the buildings be completed to care for the increased number of in-patients and operative cases. A considerable number of lepers are coming for treatment. Lepers are not as yet isolated in this section of the country and perhaps that accounts for the large number of them. We trust that this month will be the dawning of a new day for the mothers of Buraland.

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We have appreciated the work Brother Kulp has done in completing the Bura Old Testament Stories. They recently arrived from the press and the boys in the school are literally devouring the contents. Boys fifteen to eighteen years old with only their seventh book to read. Recently one of the boys, having made a translation of the tenth chapter of John, asked one of the missionaries to copy it that he might give it to some of his friends. They seem hungry for new truths in the Word of God. Thanks to faithful efforts of some of the missionaries, the Acts of the Apostles and a Hymn Book with some scriptures included are now in the press.

Will Bukar Walk the Road of Jesus

F. E. MALLOTT

Missionary to Africa

BUKAR

THE Bura man who answers to the above name is a short, bustling little fellow with a small chin beard and half his teeth missing. He is much more inclined to stoutness than the average Bura, yet he is a source of exhaustless activity. Only the monkeys who spoil his cornfield can exceed him in the acrobatic skill displayed in climbing a tree.

From the moment of hearing his voice and looking into his eager eyes one realizes that here is a man of unusual friendliness and volatile good spirits. His ready laugh has a genuine ring, which warms the heart of even the slow and sober Nasara (white man). The Bura rates laughter as one of the highest moral virtues. Hence it is that Bukar is popular in the large village of Gardemna. For besides his geniality and a natural disposition to oblige, he possesses unusual skill as an herb doctor. Is a woman in difficult childbirth? Is the horse sick? Is some sleeper on the damp ground stricken with rheumatism? Is an abcess to be opened with a red-hot knife? Send for Bukar.

His beard and the absence of his teeth would make one think he is not far from forty years of age. Of course he does not know how many years he has lived in this world. He thinks it has been a very long time, for so much of it has been passed in hunger and trouble. From data which he gives it is clear that he is twenty-five or twenty-six years of age. A young man? No; a Bura of that age is considered a man of dignity and age.

The first seven days of his life were passed inside a smoky hut—probably the same one in which he was born. His father presented the mother with two well-cooked chickens in token of his appreciation of her having borne him a son. Had the baby been a girl it is altogether probable the mother would have received no such gift! The young babe was laid on a mat, and how the smoke must have tried his lungs! In common with all the other newly born boys of East Buraland he was known by the name of Anjigwi, which means simply "little one," or "baby boy." At the age of several months the baby's hair is cut and he receives his name.

When our subject's hair was cut his relatives and parents bestowed upon him a ponderous polysyllabic name which he himself has almost forgotten.

When his mother emerged from the hut she strapped her infant son to her back with a dirty cloth or a goatskin and proceeded to the daily labor of the compound and field. She carried water, hunted firewood, cooked, planted, hoed, and harvested with her baby riding and sleeping on her back. If she was a careful mother she tied a calabash over baby's head when the tropical sun was strongest.

For a period of between two and three years his mother's back was cradle and home. It was his protection from the cold and his only protection. At night the warmth of his mother's body was his protection from the penetrating night chill.

"What do the girls and women do these cold nights?" a group of Bura boys were asked. "You each have your luru [native blanket] and you sleep in it, but the women have none."

"They sleep without any covering or else use mats," was the answer.

"But the mats are not warm covers."

"Oh, women are braver than men in the cold. They are used to it."

Bukar's babyhood was in all respects that of a typical Bura baby. From the beginning they regulated his digestion by giving him a thin mixture of water and red river-mud (msha). Whenever the mother thought her baby thirsty she laid him across her knees and using her hand as funnel, funneled water down him.

When he was about a year old the old women of the village said, "Don't you see water makes your baby vomit? He wants diva" (guineacorn mush). So his mother began to mix coarse native mush with the water she gave him. By the age of two diva had become his food and the older people of the compound were feeding him enormous quantities of it. Their method of determining when baby had enough was simple—they punched his stomach and if the skin had reached the limit of distention it was considered the baby was fed.

Boyhood for Bukar was rather more circumscribed than for Bura children of today. For he still lived in the era of slave stealing. No young child ventured out of sight of his father's compound. No man went to the field unarmed. Only the bravest ever made a journey of fifteen miles, and then only with trustworthy companions. So his world was very small. He rolled in the dirt among chickens and goats and yellow dogs and other naked children. They played, screamed, fought and idled away the days. They were all perpetually hungry, and kept a sharp lookout for any morsel of food that might be stolen.

At night the boys of the compound crowded into a hut and slept on the floor. Of course the hut was vermin-infested, and during the long wet seasons the nights were rendered musical by the swarms of mosquitoes.

"What do you do these nights?" a Bura man was asked. "We just lay and fight mosquitoes all night," was the answer.

"But what do your children do?"

"Oh, they sleep. They do not know the mosquitoes are biting them."

The morning toilet of a Bura small boy was similar to the toilet of the compound dog which got up in the morning, stretched itself and shook its ears. Similar, I say; not exactly alike, for the boy omitted to shake his ears. If a light gray scurf of varying thickness gathered on his skin it did not matter. It got washed off in the rainy season if not before.

The formal education of Bukar and his friends was slight. They listened to the long conversations and interminable arguments of their elders which incidentally instructed them in the proper conduct for a Bura. At night about the fires fables, ghost stories, and the lore of the tribe were recounted. Bukar's father began to take him along into the field where the lad commenced to hoe. And he began to learn the ancestral rote memory traditions by which a Bura regulates his farming. Bukar was ten or eleven years of age. "Soon you will be large enough to watch the goats," his father said. Thus his education progressed.

Then the year of the famine came. English official records show that it was the year 1912. A black smut or rust fell on the people's cornfields and their crop was almost a total loss. The wail of mourning went up in every village of Buraland. The old and sick resigned themselves to die. The strong went out to gather roots, grass seeds, and bark. Into the stricken country came the Moslem Kanurri traders, from the north. The people eagerly traded every article of wealth they possessed for grain. The traders were on the lookout for one commodity especially. They wanted slaves. Some families held council and sold some of their own members. Travelers on the roads were few and wary indeed.

One day Bukar was playing and incautiously strayed a few rods behind his father's compound to where a pile of rocks hid him from view of the compound and other houses. There he came face to face with Njura, the headman of the village, one of his father's close neighbors and a family friend. It is now cited as characteristic of

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John Comes Home from India

A Conversation Between Uncle Billy and John, the Missionary Just Returned from India

ALICE K. EBEY

Missionary to India

"COME in, John! Come in, my boy. Here, take this easy chair." Uncle Billy drew his own chair near so that he might put his toil worn hand on the younger man's knee. With tender affection he gazed into the face of the beloved nephew for whom his heart had often hungered during the many months of their separation.

"It's a long, long time since you went away with your bonny young wife. Now tell me, how has it gone with you in that strange land among those strange people? Really, you look better than I expected after more than seven years in that abominable climate." And Uncle Billy rattled on, forgetting to give John a chance to reply. "How ever did you escape the fever and cholera and plague? And poisonous reptiles—weren't you always afraid?"

"Well, Uncle Billy, you see I am here still very much alive. The bride wife I carried away that day is now the mother of our three happy children whom the Lord gave us in that foreign land. They send their love to you and are counting on spending a whole week with you and Aunt Susan as soon as school vacation comes. The Lord has been good to us and I count it a special privilege to come once more to your home and talk things over as in days of yore."

"Yes, my dear boy, it does my heart good to see the same merry twinkle in your grey eyes, and to watch the same old smile play on your lips. I know your long term of service in India has not been altogether a snap. You suffered many things of which you never wrote, not even to your old uncle. I know, because others have told me of your devotion to duty and your personal sacrifice for the sake of others. Now I think you have done your share. I hope you have made up your mind to stay at home and let somebody else go to carry on the work. It isn't fair that you should make all the sacrifice while others take it easy."

"I have counted it a privilege, not a sacrifice. It is a high honor to have a share, however humble, in carrying the Gospel to a people who are so eager to know the way of life. No, Uncle Billy, we carry India on our hearts with no thought of giving up until the Lord calls us elsewhere to serve him. Had I twenty lives I would like to give them all to India. But if I do all I ought with one life, perhaps I may inspire others to devote their lives to the service of carrying the Gospel to the uttermost parts of the earth and that may count more than twenty rebirths in this old world."

"But isn't India nearly evangelized, John? You see, we have been on the job a good while and it does seem that the work ought to be nearly finished."

"Well, I guess there ought to be no need to call for workers or money to carry on missions in a land where the cross of Christ was so long ago planted. You know there is a tradition that the Apostle Thomas preached there. If Christians in the past had been filled with an absolute devotion to Christ and had sought first and always to plant his kingdom on the earth, who can say but that India and every other land under the sun might belong wholly and altogether to Christ? Indeed, long ere this we might have seen the millennium.

"But, Uncle Billy, the task is not finished. There has been much sowing and these are days of reaping. Others have labored and we have entered into their labors. The fields are ripe unto the harvest. We must now thrust in the sickle lest the precious grain be wasted."

"Missionaries have been going to India for a good many years. Even so small a denomination as our Church of the Brethren has given about a hundred missionaries and a couple of million dollars to India. Really, John, don't you think the work ought to be finished soon?"

"Let me assure you, Uncle Billy, that work has not all been in vain. Enthusiasm for the spread of the Gospel has sometimes waned low in other generations, even as is wont to happen now. Christians in the past have sometimes forgotten their high calling in God. But we are apt to decry the lack of success without any sort of appreciation of the powers of darkness against which ambassadors of Christ had to wrestle. Then, too, I think there is more fruitage than you folks in the home land understand. In spite of stupendous difficulties and obstacles, many and great, there are in all India 5,000,000 Christians today. That tells only a part of the story. The impact of the religion that Jesus taught has been made on India's soul. One of these days there's going to be a great turning to the Lord and then I want to be in India. Those of us who have been there have already felt the stirring of life among the dead bones. I wonder that the ranks of missionaries to India are not overcrowded and mission treasuries overflowing in the light of such well assured hopes for the future triumph of Christ's cause in that land."

"Bro. Jones was saying the other night that the church ought to give less to foreign missions and more to push the program of the local church."

"Well, that's the road to selfishness. Even our poorest churches in India sent an offering to relieve the famine sufferers in China a few years ago. We think the eyes of the church should always be open to needs beyond her own boundary and that ought to enrich rather than impoverish her local program and the life of her members."

"Bro. Jones also spoke of home missions and insisted that our money ought to build up churches in our own land rather than in foreign lands."

"This you ought certainly to do without withdrawing your support and interest from the work of the kingdom in other needy lands. Our Indian Christians gave over $1,500 towards home missions in 1927 and you know the majority of our Christians have a monthly income of less than six dollars! I tell you, Uncle Billy, I am not so sure that American Christians are giving more than they should to the Lord."

"Then why don't you turn the work over to the church in India? Let them carry forward the work in their own land themselves."

"That is exactly what we are doing. Indeed, this has been our purpose from the beginning. When we began to work in India there were no native helpers, no converts, not even any children for a mission school. In the territory assigned to the Church of the Brethren there were some 1,200,000 unevangelized people, the vast majority illiterate and in servitude to the land owners and money lenders. It has been no small task to bring into being ten organized churches; to prepare teachers and preachers and lay workers and helpers to carry on evangelistic work in a non-Christian land."

"I see you have had plenty to keep you busy."

"Now, after some thirty years we have a dozen ordained ministers. Several have been called by death and there are a number in preparation for the ministry and for other lines of church work. There are over two hundred lay workers, Bible women and village teachers.

"We have nearly four thousand Christians and about that many children in our Christian schools and then there are a number who are learning more about the Way before they come into the church. All this in a single generation is no small return for the lives and money given to India."

"Perhaps it is better than we have done at home."

"I sometimes think the richest fruitage is hidden from our eyes lest our hearts be lifted up with pride. There has been a steady growth in social and moral ideals. India's greatest men openly acknowledge Jesus to be the world's greatest Teacher. Everywhere there is manifest a great hunger for the truth. Missionaries do not need to knock at closed doors. On every hand there are open doors and ever and anon comes the Macedonian cry from the unevangelized multitudes. Will the church answer the cry, Uncle Billy?"

"Why don't your Indian Christians enter these open doors?"

"They are doing what they can but there is more than they can do. Think of over a million in our own field who know not Christ and there are great untouched fields beyond our own boundaries. Do you really think that the Church of the Brethren has no responsibility in regard to the 325,000,000 unevangelized souls in India?"

"I had not thought of so wide a field. Bro. Jones thinks the church has already undertaken more than she is able to do abroad."

"Bro. Jones must have forgotten Carey's motto: 'Expect great things from God; undertake great things for God.' If Carey was called to establish missions in India, we are certainly called now to extend them. If we believe that Jesus Christ is the only hope of the world we cannot, dare not let these millions go unevangelized. Still to the churches, in America as well as in India, the risen Christ speaks, saying 'Go ye into all the world and preach my Gospel to every creature.'"

"Yes, John, you have convinced me that we are debtors to India, as well as to our own America and I promise by the help of God to do all I can to help the church pay that debt."

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FINANCIAL REPORT

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Surplus transferred—			
cash	$ 7,178.51		
Securities	43,702.82	50,881.33	
Income "Gospel Messenger" endowment (Schedule 19)		993.16	
Office rent charged to departments (Schedules 6, 7, 8 and 19)		1,080.00	
Gish Testament sales		347.11	
Total receipts			$ 93,301.60
Expenditures—			
(Transfers)			
20% of earnings to Ministerial & Missionary Relief (Schedule 13)		8,000.00	
80% of earnings to M. B. & C. R. (Schedule 18)		32,000.00	
Net cash surplus to M. B. & C. R. (Schedule 18)		4,697.18	
Net cash surplus to Interest account		881.33	
Net cash surplus to Contingent Investments Receivable		1,600.00	
Securities to Contingent Investments Receivable		43,702.82	
"Gospel Messenger" endowment paid over		993.16	
Office rent paid over		1,080.00	
Gish Testament Fund credit (Sched. 14)		347.11	
Total expenditures			$ 93,301.60

26. Reserve for Investment Losses

Receipts—		
Transfer from M. B. & C. R. (Sched. 18)	$ 27,157.75	
Expenditures—		
Losses on investments	655.83	
Balance, Feb. 29, 1928		$ 26,501.92

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MISSIONARY PROJECT WORKERS

Groups of children and young people have registered with the General Mission Board since April 10 to May 11 as workers on the 1928 Missionary Projects. Previous enrollments were published in earlier issues of the Visitor. As the work is very urgent more groups are needed to complete the tasks successfully. Write to the General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., for information about the 1928 Missionary Projects.

Congregation	J. C. L.	B. Y. P. D
Northern California		
Fresno		15
Laton	40	
Eastern Colorado		
Antioch	6	
Denver	48	
Florida and Georgia		
Sebring		12
Northern Illinois		
Cherry Grove	17	
Milledgeville	15	
Southern Illinois		
Cerro Gordo	25	
Middle Indiana		
Bachelor Run	35	
Northern Indiana		
Plymouth		25
Turkey Creek		35
Middle Iowa		
Dallas Center	25	
Northern Iowa, Minn. & S. Dak.		
Root River	35	
Sheldon	20	
Northwestern Kansas		
White Rock	20	
Southwestern Kansas		
McPherson	30	
Middle Maryland		
Pleasant View		30
Western Maryland		
Cherry Grove	18	20
Northeastern Ohio		
Center	35	
Danville	25	
Northwestern Ohio		
Stony Creek (Logan)	13	
Southern Ohio		
Beech Grove	15	
Cedar Grove (Prices Creek)	12	
Prices Creek	40	
Oregon		
Grants Pass	16	
Eastern Pennsylvania		
Mountville	12	
Middle Pennsylvania		
Leamersville		30
Lower Claar		13
Lewistown	75	
Spring Run	60	

First Virginia	
Pleasant Dale	15
Second Virginia	
Sangerville	40
Southern Virginia	
Laurel Branch	15
Washington	
Tacoma	9

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NEW STATIONS

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was necessary first of all to erect residences. Bro. Mallott carried on at Gardemna. A singularly good interest was taken by the entire village from the beginning. The attendance at the Sunday services was from 80 to 100, including always the chief man of the village. Two young married men expressed a desire to become Christians.

The Kulps took charge at Dille. There was the problem of overcoming the shyness of the people and learning a new language. The former has been accomplished to a large degree. The second is still being done. Preaching in the Margi language was begun on Christmas day.

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SUPPORTS OF MISSIONARIES

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Virginia—

Barren Ridge congregation, Nora Flory, China.

Bridgewater congregation, Ella Flohr, Africa.

Bridgewater Sunday-school, Norman A. Seese, China.

Cline, Willie B. and Mae Lillie, of Lebanon congregation, Alfred E. Hollenberg (son of Fred M. Hollenberg), India.

Greenmount congregation, partial support Sara Z. Myers, China.

Lebanon congregation, Chalmer G. Shull, India.

Middle River, "Willing Workers' Class," Verna Flory (daughter of B. M. Flory), China.

Middle River Aid Society, partial support of Wendell Flory (son of B. M. Flory), China.

"Martha and Mary" Class, Linville Creek Sunday-school, partial support of Elizabeth Long (daughter of I. S. Long), India.

Moomaw, Leland C., and Sunday-schools of First and Southern Virginia, Elsie N. Shickel, India.

Northern Virginia congregations, I. S. and Effie V. Long, India.

Pleasant Valley congregation, Edna F. Flory, China.

West Virginia—

Eglon congregation, Anna B. Mow, India.

Sandy Creek congregation, Mary E. Cline, China.

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WILL BUKAR WALK THE ROAD OF JESUS?

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the time and of that year of distress that instantly Njura seized his neighbor's son, clapped a strong hand on his mouth and made off into the bush. A confederate took him and Njura went home.

An hour or so later the cry of "Lost child" was raised and his mother's wailing was heard. Neighbors all joined sympathetically in the search. But in those days a lost child was seldom found. Was it slave hunters or hyenas? Unless footprints were found it was never certain.

The lad never saw his parents again. What was their emotions? Who can say? Perhaps relief. He thinks now he would probably have starved at home. The boy's wits were too badly shaken to remember clearly all that happened. He knows he was led to the northeastward across Kilbaland. He was sold to a great and wealthy Fulani chief, who owned great herds of cattle. And for six or seven years he was his slave. He was first drudge boy, then assistant cowherd, and then a trusted cowherd. Exposed to all sorts of weather he cared for the cattle of his powerful owner. He was often hungry, generally naked, and frequently rain-soaked or cold. He ranged with the herds over the Margi country, the region where the Church of the Brethren Mission has established a station.

What semblance of a home he had was in a slave village—the whole population chattels of the one Fulani lord, some of them children of slaves for generations. He thought himself most wretched. Yet there is reason to suspect that his slave life was not altogether unpleasant. He learned to eat foods he would never have tasted in his own village. He was taught to sew and he made the first garments he ever owned. He

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Notes From Our Fields

CHINA

Pingting

Miss Flory reports that the Pingting Hospital did very well during February, having 20 in-patients in the Women's hospital and 31 in the Men's. They performed 23 operations including 1 Cesarean section, 1 double hernia and 2 large tumors. The dispensary had an average of 26 calls per day, the largest number on any one day being 48. Our new Dr. Wang seems like a very fine man and we hope he will be able to stay with us a long time.

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Liao

Dr. T. H. Wang

The Women's Bible school reopened after the Chinese New Year's vacation with an increase of two pupils. The three teachers, two ladies and one man, have arranged their teaching so that the two ladies can alternate and one of them go to the villages to teach daily.

The Gospel tent has been brought from the Chin Chow territory into the Liao Chow territory, and is now at Tsung Shu Ping, ten miles from Liao. The Tent has been in the Chin Chow territory for over two years and there has not been a sufficient number of workers to continue the teaching to those who have expressed a desire to learn the Gospel. It was therefore decided to leave a number of the tent evangelists to do this teaching and bring the tent into the Liao territory where the Liao evangelists could assist in the tent. The work in the Liao territory has been difficult for there has been a lack of interest and contacts have been difficult to make, especially for the women evangelists who must go into the homes. The tent, it is hoped, will stimulate a new interest and that there will be those who will desire to study the Gospel thus opening up new homes for teaching and bringing much encouragement to the Liao evangelists.

One of the evangelists, Mr. Wang Ping, sixty-four years of age, was thrown from a cart as he was returning with the tent. He was unconscious for ten or fifteen minutes. A few days later he was taken to the hospital and it was found that he has a badly bruised leg which will keep him in the hospital for some time.

Because of a shortage of workers in the tent, Mr. Yang Yen Jung, who recently finished a Bible course at his own expense in the Hung T'ung School, has been invited to assist in the evangelistic work near Yu She, his home locality, in order to relieve another evangelist for the tent.

The Chin Chow work among women and children continues to progress. Classes in four villages are being held for the enquirers. The work there now is mostly to nurture those who have become interested in the tent.

The lady evangelist was in the Matien Church over the Chinese New Year. The outlook there is encouraging. They need spiritual help and desire to live for Christ. Three members who have been cold and disinterested for some time have come back to their first faith.

The evangelistic work is reorganized and is now under a Board. This is much more satisfactory and we hope for greater results in the future. There is no hindrance in traveling. Evangelists go when and where they please and are received as kindly as ever.

Beginning the new term, both the Boys' and the Girls' schools have increased their enrollment. The Boys' school having 53 and the Girls' school including the kindergarten having fifty-five.

Dr. Carl Coffman spent several weeks in the Liao hospital, leaving on March 2 with Ma Shang Te, a graduate nurse, to commence their new work, that of medical extension in Yu She county, working out from Yin Tzu as a center.

The Liao hospital has had an increase in patients during the past month.

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Taiyuan

Pastor Li of Taiyuan sends the following encouraging news: You will be glad to know that our work is better and a greater interest shown than at any time during the past two years. Since the downfall of the communistic society here in Taiyuan, everything is becoming normal and peaceful. The anti-Christian movement has also disappeared. I am also glad to tell you that I read in a recent paper that some important persons had advised the Nanking government to cancel the slogan "Down with Christianity" or something like that.

After the Boys' Club was changed to the Brethren evening English school, the students here have greatly increased and most of the middle school students are also very glad to join our school. Messrs. P. L. Chang, W. S. Wang and Y. H. Li are still teaching in the school, freely giving their time and service for the good of our students which have increased to fifty. Our girls' school is doing equally well for they have almost 20 splendid girls. Mrs. Tan often takes the girls to services and gives them much religious teaching besides.

Outside my regular work and almost daily visiting of church members, I also constantly go to the Military Hospital (for wounded soldiers) to preach to them. Most of the soldiers are very interested in hearing the Gospel. Am sure that you will be glad to know that on March 4 Rev. Yin baptized 14 men for us. Now our ordinary Sunday attendence is 50 to 70 and sometimes 100, and we hope after a few weeks to have another baptizing.

In short, for some time we have been doing much helpful work under His blessing and we here in Taiyuan always hope that you constantly pray for us.

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AFRICA

Gardemna—January—February

Mrs. Ella M. Flohr

The Mission House was closed at Gardemna in October of last year when Bro. Mallott started home on furlough. We moved down here the last of January and found the interest quite good. Heman and Bukar, the two men who have renounced their beer drinking and devil worship and who want to become Christians, were indeed glad to have us come. The Sunday services have been quite well attended. It seems that the people come because they want to learn.

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Dr. Robertson comes down twice a month from Garkida, treats the sick folks, and leaves some medicine with us to " hand out " during his absence.

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Just now the people of the village are busy working on a house of worship. They have selected a site in the village and already have brought sand for the floor and wood for the rafters and grass for the roof. They donate the material and the labor so that it is costing the Mission nothing. It is really their own and we believe that that fact is going to mean a lot in their attitude toward our work among them.

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Dille—January—February

H. S. Kulp

While Dr. and Mrs. Burke and Bro. Kulp were attending the Annual Mission Meeting at Garkida early in January, Mrs. Kulp carried on at Dille.

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About the middle of January the water supply at Dille gave out. There is no permanent stream. Water had to be carried a great distance. This led to the consideration of choosing a new site. The Resident of the Province was approached and he said that there were no objections from the government standpoint. Application has therefore gone forward for a Mission site at Lassa, five miles east of Dille on the Yadseram River.

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Dr. and Mrs. Burke have moved into temporary quarters at Lassa. They are awaiting permission to build. Meantime they are ministering to the needs of the sick and studying language.

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During this period Mr. and Mrs. Kulp spent 26 days on a tour of investigation and a mission of friendliness to most of the Margi District in which the government has given our Mission permission to work. The tour was to discover the number, population and location of the Margi villages. An investigation was also made of the dialects spoken. As a result of this tour it will be possible to draw a map of the district indicating the location of the villages and the native paths. It was discovered that in the field there are at least 12,000 Margis. Two dialects are spoken. However, these two dialects are so closely related that no special difficulty is anticipated in carrying on Mission work.

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Wherever we went we tried to tell them the purpose of our living in their midst. The very fact that we could speak, although imperfectly, in their language, seemed to assure them that we were their friends.

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A saw pit has been dug at Dille. The lumber for the Residences at Lassa is nearly all sawed out. The Doctor is giving some practical training in the use of the saw and other tools to those who are helping to saw out and fit together door and window frames.

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The Mission farm wagon has been brought to Dille station and is proving quite useful. It is being used to haul logs to the saw pit and to move goods from Dille to Lassa. A yoke of oxen have been bought, named Pirtu and Kengkyar, Margi for White and Black. When these are hitched to the wagon there is no danger of exceeding the speed limit, but they are helping to solve the transportation problem at Dille.

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AFRICA

Garkida—February

Lola Helser

Some of the older schoolboys are taking wives. They are trying to establish Christian homes. Three of them have started a Christian village between the mission compound and the native village. They hope

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THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY

Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

Nurse Roop Writes to Brown Brothers Workers

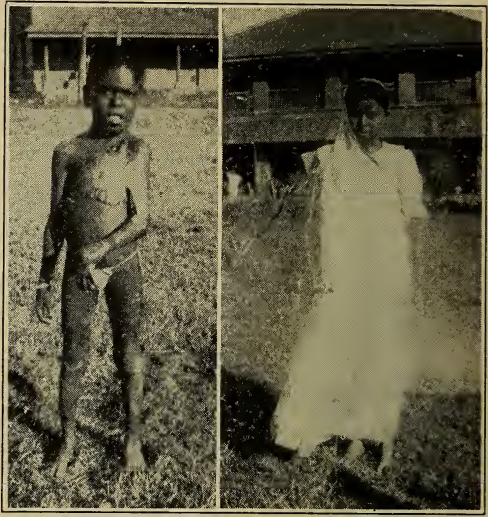
Dahanu Road
Thana District
India

My dear Juniors:

I cannot tell you how happy I am to be working in the Dahanu Hospital which you helped to build. I know you have enjoyed seeing the pictures of this hospital in the Missionary Visitor and reading about the people who are being helped here. On a poster in our hospital we have many of your pictures, which were printed in the Missionary Visitor. When people come to visit our hospital I like to show them your pictures and tell them how you earned money to help to build this hospital. They think you are doing fine. Some of our Indian patients also give gifts of money to our hospital. Because of these gifts and of the money which you are sending to our General Mission Board at Elgin we can take into our hospital people who are too poor to pay for the medical care which they need.

In this part of India the poor people do not wear much clothing. At night many of them lie down on a dirt floor and cover up with an old rag. During our cold season it becomes very cold at night. These poor people try to keep warm by building a wood fire on the dirt floor. They lie down and go to sleep near the fire. While they are asleep their scanty clothing often catches on fire and they are badly burned. They cover the burn with charcoal or ashes or something else. Then if the burn does not heal they often come into our dispensary or hospital and show it to our missionary doctor.

Katubai is one of these burn cases. She is a Mohammedan girl. When she was brought into our hospital she was fifteen years old. Her head, lips, chest and arm were all badly burned. For a long time our doctors and nurses dressed her wounds and took care of her. After a while she became homesick. One day before her wounds were entirely healed she ran away to her home, without the doctor's permission. After some days she appeared in the dispensary again. She was very happy to be back.



Photos by Ethel Roop

TWO INDIA HOSPITAL CASES

"How are you?" asked Dr. Metzger.

She hung her head in shame and said, "Worse. Now I have come back to stay."

Day by day as the wound healed the scars pulled her face out of shape. Her mouth was so distorted that it was difficult for her to eat or talk. So Dr. Nickey and Dr. Metzger did some operations to help to straighten out her mouth.

She has been here for a long time. While here, she has been hearing about Jesus. She wants to stay and learn more about him and then become a Christian. Her Mohammedan relatives, hearing of this, wanted to take her home. But in spite of all their pleading she wants to stay. She sweeps the hospital and helps to wash the hospital baby clothes to make a living. She is very happy to be here. Will you not pray that Katubai will become a faithful Christian?

Another burn case is Merlia. He is a little boy about seven years old. But he did not come to us until after his burn was healed. His wound was not properly cared for. And so his arm has grown fast to his body and his hand is very crooked. His father is a poor man. Since this boy was so deformed he thought he would never to able to work. So he asked us to take him. Our missionary doctors do not think that he is in a fit condition to operate upon. So he is receiving food and medicine to build up his body. We are hoping that he may have a successful operation. He is now going to our kindergarten here at Dahanu as he had never been to school before. After his operation we hope he may enter the Boys' Boarding School at Palghar.

Sincerely yours,
Ethel A. Roop.

DETERMINED DANVILLERS

The Juniors of the Danville church are rejoicing because God so bountifully blessed the quarters which were given them; and as a result of their efforts they were able to send to their Black Brothers and Sisters $130.52. There were about thirty of the children in this work. Some of them raised chickens, some raised potatoes, while others had lambs. In some cases the parents gave the children an allowance for extra work done about the home. Each one was happy to know that his little effort was helping some children to know of Jesus. The teachers of the various classes gave much encouragement to the children. For the coming year we have twenty-five children enlisted and no doubt there will be others by the end of the year. We want you to see our bunch of busy workers.

Danville, O. Gertrude Phillips.

BY THE EVENING LAMP

Dear Aunt Adalyn: May I join your circle? I am thirteen years old and in the seventh grade at school. My teacher is Mr. E. R. Hicks. I go to a four-room school of about 134 pupils. I go to Broadfording church, about four miles from where I live. I am in the Intermediate class there. I haven't any brothers or sisters, so I have everything to myself. I wish some girls my age would write to me, for I like to receive letters, and I will try to answer them.

Maugansville, Md. Garnette A. Martin.

There are disadvantages in being the only child in a family, but what a wonderful chance you and your mother have of being chums together!

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I have been reading letters written to you in the Visitor, and have at last come to the conclusion that I wish to join your circle. May I? I am twelve years old and in the seventh grade. I get real high grades. I have a brother eleven years old and a sister ten months. She is the dearest thing, and so fat, with great big blue eyes. All of our family except the baby belong to the church. I joined when I was eight years old. I guess I take after my grandfather who is dead. He was a minister, and always wanted me to be a missionary, but I am not in good health so am not sure if I can carry out his wishes. Even if I can't go to a foreign land I can do missionary work in my own community. My grandmother makes her home with us, but is in very poor health. She is a dear religious soul, too. I have some relatives living in West Virginia and Pennsylvania. I wish some of them would write to me if they see this letter published. They may recognize the name Fike. If so, I am one of them.

126 Glenross Blvd., Vera McKimmy.
Mound View Park,
Toledo, Ohio.

Yes, there is always room, anywhere, to do missionary work. It doesn't always mean to sit down and teach the Scriptures to some ignorant person, but living a beautiful life in their presence. A sincere interest in people is the most compelling thing in the world. That is how the "Big Brother and Big Sister Movement" is doing such a wonderful work.

Dear Aunt Adalyn: Please may Lewis Benton and I bring our chairs into your circle and chat with you awhile this winter evening? But it is so hot here, we cannot think that it is really winter in America.

We want to tell you how we made our money for "Our Black Brothers." We could not raise chickens like we did in U. S. A., so we planted peanuts and a few vegetables. I dug the holes and Lewis Benton dropped the peanuts and I covered them. We planted them in July, they grew very nice and now we are all eating them because Mother and Daddy bought them from us. They amounted to 5 shillings, 2 and ½ pence. Then we are sending 1 shilling and six pence, money we have earned for tending the goats and chickens. All together it is 6 shillings, 8½ pence. How many of you know how many dollars and cents that is? I buy eggs, milk, butter, and wood for Mother and I can count shillings, pence and half-pennies as well as I can United States money.

I was baptized the 8th of January. Nine of "Our Black Brothers" were baptized two days before I was. I am nine years old and Lewis Benton is six. We sometimes play we are real Buras. Lewis Benton shoots his bow and arrow and I cook Bura food and carry my dolls tied on my back. I have read the New Testament Stories in Bura and have started now on the Old Testament Stories in Bura.

From Julia Anne and Lewis Benton Flohr.

P. S. We hope some of you Juniors will write a letter to us.

Gardemna, via Jos and Damaturu,
Nigeria, W. Africa.
Feb. 20, 1928.

LEWIS BENTON AND JULIA ANNE. Children of Brother and Sister Earl Flohr in our Africa mission.

We are delighted with this little visit. It took you a long time to come so far, and now you must sit and rest a while. The Mission Rooms are very pleased with your offering. Next time I eat peanuts I will think about you!

NUTS TO CRACK

Missing Words

(Fill in the blanks with words that sound alike but are spelled differently.)

1. The —— hit him so hard he began to ——.
2. He splashed the —— all over with —— wax.
3. He left his rain —— lying out by the sheep ——.
4. The —— in the boat began to hear the —— of the waterfall.
5. I —— pretty soon who was the distinguished ——.
6. The —— tried to fix my soiled dress, with —— results.
7. The wind —— big white clouds across the —— sky.
8. Waving a —— of blossoms she made a pretty ——.

Metamorphoses

1. Jumble a heavenly body and make rodents. (Example: Star—rats.)
2. Jumble cooked meal, and make what a motor does.
3. Jumble a fish, and make to run quickly.
4. Jumble to remove the skin of, and make to garner.
5. Jumble a cabbage salad, and make statutes.
6. Jumble a kind of vine, and make a store.
7. Jumble to put under water, and make the covering of the body.
8. Jumble painful or distressing, and make a flower.

MAY NUTS CRACKED

Decapitations. 1. Star—tar. 2. Cloud—loud. 3. Snow—now. 4. Ship—hip. 5. Boat—oat. 6. Fire—ire. 7. Brook—rook. 8. Warm—arm. 9. Cold—old.

American Cities Demolished. 1. Sacramento. 2. Minneapolis. 3. New Orleans. 4. Springfield. 5. Nashville. 6. Washington. 7. San Antonio. 8. Cleveland. 9. Grand Rapids. 10. Columbus.

Will Bukar Walk the Road of Jesus?

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learned several languages and acquired his knowledge of herbs which serves him so well. He became a skilled builder of mud walls. And the nights when the cattle were in the thornbrush kraal he and his fellow-slaves and frequently members of the master's race sat about the fire. And the conversations opened up new worlds to Bukar's comprehension.

One of the things he learned was that there was One Great God who was to be worshiped and that his name was Allah. He was circumcised and inducted into the Moslem faith and learned something of its teachings. The command to abstain from beer especially impressed itself upon him. No one made any special effort to teach him, for he was but a slave. But the idea of something better than his father's village knew was implanted in his mind.

Among the slaves a new topic of conversation appeared. There had been vague rumors of a powerful tribe of white men. Now it was said they were close. They had weapons which dealt certain death and cracked like thunder. Even the mighty Fulani were afraid of them it was said. And it was said they released the slaves everywhere they went. Travelers brought news of them and one man had even seen the houses of these Nasara. He described to the slaves the houses.

And when Bukar was on the march with the herd and slept in the open beside the cattle on the cold tropical nights he dreamed. He saw endless halls, forests of giant palm trunks supporting the roof and himself moving amid the palm pillars—the servant of the white man.

Joseph dreamed and it was on African soil that his dreams came true. And what of this other young dreamer in Africa?

Not many moons passed after the first news until the white man came. He came with soldiers, guns, horses, and drums. They said his name was Captain Baker. And marching straight for the great Fulani chief Capt. Baker demanded that all slaves be surrendered to him.

In a few weeks our friend, furnished with a new name (the one by which we know him), a new shirt, a pair of new trousers and an official paper sewed in a leather case in his trousers pocket, started westward in search of his childhood home.

He tells of an incident that occurred on his homeward journey which illustrates at once the change in him and the change in the country. He had gone a day's journey and some Fulanis saw him and recognized him as a slave of a chief of theirs. Seeing he was escaping they seized him and carried him to the nearest village. Bukar quietly submitted. When turned over to the Fulani officers he produced his paper and demanded they call a Moslem mallam to read it. The literate one was called, who reading the paper exclaimed with terror. A hasty consultation followed, and the people gave Bukar a present of five shillings and begged him to proceed on his journey.

His appearance in his native village created a tumult. His relatives received him as one from the dead. But what an unwelcome appearance for old Njura, who was still village headman. A lawsuit was at once begun in the native manner against Njura and his family. After considerable litigation, long drawn out, Njura paid twelve headloads of corn and ten gowns as a recompense to his former captive.

But Bukar's homecoming was a disappointment to himself. He soon found he preferred Fulani society to that of his own village. He had become intelligent through travel and had really risen to a higher standard of living. Returning to his kinsmen he found them to be the same narrow, ignorant pagans they had always been. He ran away to join the Fulanis several times, but no one wanted a servant, and his relatives sent after him each time. When the lawsuit terminated, Bukar took a Bura wife and from that time on remained with his people. Outwardly he ceased to be a Moslem and became a pagan. One trace remained of his Moslem experience, however, in that he very rarely touched beer and never participated in the drunken carousals of the Buras.

Then occurred a considerable exodus of people from his village to Gardemna. Bukar went with the migrants, as did also old Njura, now blind and no longer headman. As a token of the changed times in which we live Bukar is now a neighbor of the old Njura, who goes groping about with a cane. And one of Bukar's dearest and most intimate friends is Hemna Gauro, the son of Njura. So may all the feuds of this land of feuds, lawsuits, and recriminations end.

But the most interesting fact is yet to come. Soon rumors reached the people of Gardemna that the white men had come to Garkida, a distance of but a day's journey, and that they were going to live there. The village was uneasy. The more timid ones talked of flight. "They will come here," they said. Bukar laughed at their fears. "The Nasara are friends," he said, "they are the best people in the world. They freed me when I was a slave."

Four years passed. Bukar saw the white people occasionally. He heard snatches of the message they preached. It seemed good —very good. Was it the direct speaking of the Holy Spirit to an honest heart? Did the vaguely-comprehended teaching of Islam help prepare him to understand the Christian message? Who can say?

This year (1927) one of the Garkida "mallams" came to Gardemna to live. From the first Bukar made himself friendly. Illness had in the previous year reduced his farming to cultivating a small patch. The work and wages of the mission building were a most welcome means of relief. From working for the missionary he became a most eager listener to the message. He revived his old resolution concerning beer. Soon he began to keep Sunday as God's day of rest and worship. One day he came with a friend and they confided that they wanted to learn to read so that they might read the Book of God. Some weeks after he came by himself, saying that had learned enough of the message that he wanted to walk in the "lakur Isa," i. e., "road of Jesus."

Here the biography must stop. What does the future hold for this dreamer of dreams? Will you not pray that the slave who dreamed that he was a servant in the halls of the Nasara, may become a servant in the house of One of whom the Nasara tell him?

FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1928. As of April 30, 1928, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 28, 1929, stands as follows:

Cash received since April 1, 1928	$ 20,625.60

(The 1928 Budget of $389,000.00 is 5.3% raised, whereas it should be 16.6%.)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on April 30, 1928:

Income since March 1, 1928	$ 26,280.53
Income same period last year	35.063.25
Expense since March 1, 1928	43,931.42
Expense same period last year	52,227.76
Mission deficit April 30, 1928	115,055.53
Mission deficit March 31, 1928	97,868.95
Increase in deficit for April, 1928	17,186.58

Tract Distribution: During the month of March the Board sent out 3,154 doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 1: See May, 1928, Visitor, under Missionary Supports, credit of No. Virginia congregations in the sum of $286.00 has since been reduced by refund of $156.76.

Correction No. 2: See May, 1928, Visitor, under Conference Budget. In Credit of $851.78 to congregations of First Virginia, there has since been designated changes as follows:

First Roanoke Congregation, $5.00 for Junior League, 1927; Oak Grove B. Y. P. D., $25.00 for B. Y. P. D. Fund, 1927; Oak Grove Congregation, $9.00 for Junior League, 1927; Oak Grove Congregation, $25.00 for F. J. Wampler Support; Daleville Congregation, $31.28 for Africa Mission; Lynchburg B. Y. P. D., $15.85 for B. Y. P. D. Fund, 1927; Terrace View Congregation, $11.50 for Junior League, 1927; Aid Societies of First Va., $112.00 for A. S. M. F., 1927.

Correction No. 3: See May, 1928, Visitor, under Conference Budget. In credit of $292.50 to Peters Creek, First Virginia, $30.00 is for Africa Mission (Hospital).

March Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during March:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

Arizona—$27.64

S. S.: Glendale,	$ 27.64

California—$213.44

No. Dist., Cong.: Empire, $30.91; Figarden, $2; No. 104795 (Empire), $23; S. S.: McFarland, $39.92,	95.83
So. Dist., Cong.: Belvedere, $26.10; Hermosa Beach, $50; H. E. Masters (E. San Diego), $5; Mrs. Catharine L. Yundt (La Verne), $4.50; Indv.: Mrs. Grace Blythe, $2.58; J. H. Huff, $9.43; C. H. Sheets & Wife, $20,	117.61

Canada—$10.20

Cong.: Redcliff,	10.20

Colorado—$10.00

W. Dist., Cong.: E. R. Fisher & Wife (First Grand Valley),	10.00

Florida—$21.06

Cong.: Seneca, $7.67; Unknown Donor (Orlando), $5; S. S.: Seneca, $8.39,	21.06

Illinois—$519.01

No. Dist., Cong.: Elgin, $75; Lanark, $12; West Branch, $60; J. W. Erb & Wife (Bethel), $25; Grace O. Danner (First Chicago), $5; Paul Halladay & Wife (First Chicago), $10; J. J. Scrogum (First Chicago), $10; Elizabeth Lehman (Dixon), $1; P. R. Keltner (M. N.) (Freeport), $.50; No. 104718 (Shannon), $5; S. S.: Batavia, $8.35; Hastings St. (Chicago), $40; Franklin Grove, $5.82; Sterling, $5.98,	263.65
So. Dist., Cong.: Hurricane Creek, $21; Kaskaskia, $11; La Place (Okaw), $11.50; Liberty, $34; Mulberry Grove, $30; Oak Grove, $5; Panther Creek, $65; Romine, $3; Springfield, $5.30; Virden, $5.56; A. B. Hollinger (Astoria), $5; J. P. Lingenfelter (Canton), $5; Clyde Ludlum (Canton), $4; Aid Soc.: Cerro Gordo, $50,	255.36

Indiana—$562.61

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Bethel Center, $9.42; Clear Creek, $11.82; Loon Creek, $40; Peru, $51; Walton, $28.30; Phoebe Lee (Landessville), $6; Blanche Abshire (Roann), $5; Aid Soc.: Bachelor Run, $10; Pike Creek (Monticello), $15,	176.54
No. Dist., Cong.: Auburn, $7; Elkhart City, $17.50; Rock Run, $47.65; West Goshen, $105.18; Mrs. Irene Savidge (La Porte), $5; J. Harvey Schrock (Middlebury), $25; I. S. Burns (M. N.) (Yellow Creek), $.50; S. S.: Berean Bible Class (Elkhart City), $12.50; La Porte, $15.91; Plymouth, $27.75; Yellow Creek, $11.74; Aid Soc.: Elkhart City, $25,	300.73
So. Dist., Cong.: Anderson, $22.34; Buck Creek, $10; Henry O. Bailey, (Howard), $4; John Army (Kokomo), $4; Josephine Hanna (Kokomo), $2; Eunice Hoover (Kokomo), $1; Oliver N. Miller (Ladoga), $4; Ruth Crull (Upper Fall Creek), $1; Mrs. J. A. Foster (White), $5; A. F. Loveless (White), $20; Mrs. Angaline Wall, (White), $2; Jas. F. Wall (White), $2; Wm. E. Wall (White), $8,	85.34

Iowa—$248.04

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Cedar Rapids, $26.95; Dallas Center, $41.80; Franklin Rhodes & Wife (Dallas Center), $150; S. S.: Bagley, $1.15; Pleasant View (Cedar), $2.79; "Rose Bud" Class, Panther Creek, $1.50,	224.19
No. Dist., Cong.: South Waterloo,	23.85

Kansas—$170.42

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Lone Star, $50.25; Ottawa, $31.84; Cong. & S. S.: Richland Center, $58.33,	140.42
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Parsons,	20.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: J. D. Yoder (Monitor),	10.00

Louisiana—$7.96

S. S.: Roanoke,	7.96

Maryland—$205.31

E. Dist., Cong.: Green Hill, $5; Pleasant Hill (Bush Creek), $100; G. E. Bringle (Frederick City), $5; S. S.: Pleasant Hill (Bush Creek3, $2.50; Westminster (Meadow Branch), $26.41; Myersville (Upper Middletown Valley), $6.40; Aid Soc.: New Windsor (Pipe Creek), $25,	170.31
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Manor, $17; Susie Rowland (Hagerstown), $7; Harvey C. Witter (Welsh Run), $5,	29.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek,	6.00

Michigan—$130.52

Cong.: Beaverton, $45.57; Pontiac, $5; Woodland Village, $50; S. S.: Grand Rapids, $6.95; Aid Soc.: Battle Creek, $20; Indv.: W. S. Christner, $3,	130.52

Minnesota—$10.50

Cong.: Unknown Donor (Lewiston), $2; Unknown Donor (Preston, Root River), $2; Albert Seidel & Wife (Worthington), $5; S. S.: Guthrie, $1.50,	10.50

Missouri—$30.90

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mineral Creek, $4.15; Mary M. Cox (Warrensburg), $2,	6.15
No. Dist., Cong.: Rockingham,	24.64
So. Dist., Indv.: Wm. P. Bosserman,	.11

Nebraska—$44.83

Cong.: Afton, $16.01; Enders, $6.66; Octavia,

$12; W. A. Royer (Bethel), $7; S. S.: Lincoln, $3.16, ... 44.83

North Dakota—$133.00

Cong.: Kenmare, $20; Minot, $5; Ray Harris (M. N.) (Minot), $.50; D. G. Lewallen & Wife (Zion), $60; S. S.: Egeland, $7.50; Surrey, $40, ... 133.00

Ohio—$328.32

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Center, $11.09; Reading, $24.97; Zion Hill, $21; Mrs. Frank Leatherman (Mt. Zion), $3; No. 104914 (Zion Hill), $8; S. S.: Woodworth, $4.45, ... 72.51

N. W. Dist., Cong.: Dupont, $1.75; Silver Creek, $34.95; J. W. Driver (Pleasant View), $5, ... 41.70

So. Dist., Cong.: Castine, $12.15; Middle District, $28.75; Pleasant Valley, $23.13; Hazel M. Wills (Greenville), $7; S. S.: Ft. McKinley, $6.78; Harris Creek, $15.89; Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater), $10.41; Union City, $10; Indv.: Lucinda Ann Hixson, $100, 214.11

Oklahoma—$7.00

Cong.: Mrs. Jennie Diller (Monitor), $1; G. E. Wales & Wife (Monitor), $3; Indv.: H. H. Holderread, $2; Ira Mohler, $1, ... 7.00

Oregon—$17.00

Cong.: Grants Pass, $14; S. S.: Ashland, $3, ... 17.00

Pennsylvania—$1,379.64

E. Dist., Cong.: Annville, $50; Chiques, $54.37; Fredericksburg, $21.51; Mingo, $408; Springville, $34; Swatara, Big, $6; West Green Tree, $148.49; White Oak, $100; Unknown Donor (Elizabethtown), $1; Emma F. Gottshall (Indian Creek), $5; No. 104870 (Richland), $15; S. S.: Gleaners' Class, Akron, $5; Annville, $33.91; Ephrata, $47.06; Rankstown (Fredericksburg), $4.29; Ladies' Bible Class, Hanoverdale (Swatara, Big), $5; Paxton (Swatara, Big), $10; Aid Soc.: Junior Aid, Annville, $30; Mingo, $10; Spring Creek, $10, 998.63

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Rue Myers (Bellwood), $.25; Mrs. Harry E. Barney (Cherry Lane), $5; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek), $10; A Member (Manor), $20; S. S.: Rockhill (Aughwick), $4.48; Curryville (Woodbury), $5.35; "Willing Workers" Class, Replogle (Woodbury), $4; Yellow Creek, $9, ... 58.08

S. E. Dist., Cong.: Calvary (Philadelphia), $10; H. S. Relplogle, (Green Tree), $1; S. K. Kulp (Pottstown), $25; S. S.: Calvary (Philadelphia), $47.95; First Philadelphia, $32.74; Greentown, $26.73; Pottstown, $28.63; Y. P. D.: Christian Endeavor (Calvary, Philadelphia), $12.17; Indv.: Sudie A. Burris, $7, ... 191.22

So. Dist., Cong.: Chambersburg, $14.01; No. 104616 (4th St. Chambersburg), $5; Mrs. Annie Cockley (Huntsdale), $2; J. A. Leer & Wife (Huntsdale), $20; Melvin Masemer (York), $5; S. S.: Mechanicsburg, $5; Chestnut Grove (Upper Codorus), $2.55, ... 53.56

W. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Joy, $5; Penn Run, $5.15; Laura McGraw (Bolivar), $2; J. Lloyd Nedrow (M. N.) (Glade Run), $1; Mrs. Anna Saylor (Middlecreek), $65, ... 78.15

Tennessee—$6.00

Cong.: Limestone, ... 6.00

Texas—$33.15

Cong.: Waka, ... 33.15

Virginia—$163.43

E. Dist., Cong.: Midland, $17.53; Mt. Carmel, $21.18; A. F. Bollinger (Mt. Carmel), $15, ... 53.71

First Dist., Cong.: Laura P. Beckner (Mt. Joy), ... 2.00

No. Dist., Cong.: Woodstock, $18.40; S. S.: Salem, $7.61, ... 26.01

Sec. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Valley, $52; S. S.: Bridgewater, $10.49; Sangerville, $4.22; Aid Soc.: Barren Ridge, $10, ... 76.71

So. Dist., S. S.: Pulaski, ... 5.00

West Virginia—$7.84

First Dist., Cong.: Beaver Run, $4.84; Florence Johnson (Greenland), $1; Ross Johnson (Greenland), $2, ... 7.84

Wisconsin—$12.46

S. S.: Chippewa Valley, $1.46; Maple Grove, $1; Aid Soc.: White Rapids, $10, ... 12.46

Total for the month, ...$ 4,300.28
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ... 4,300.28

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND—1927-28

Kansas—$50.00

S. W. Dist., Student Volunteers of McPherson College, ...$ 50.00

Maryland—$33.00

E. Dist., Student Volunteers of Blue Ridge College, ... 33.00

Total for the month, ...$ 83.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 83.00

AID SOCIETY MISSION FUND—1927

Colorado—$17.00

W. Dist., Aid Societies, ...$ 17.00

Idaho—$15.00

Aid Societies of Idaho and Western Montana, ... 15.00

Kansas—$47.50

N. W. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 24.00
S. W. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 23.50

Ohio—$336.20

N. W. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 44.20
So. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 292.00

Tennessee—$7.40

Aid Soc.: Cedar Grove, ... 7.40

Virginia—$58.00

E. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 43.00
No. Dist., Aid Soc.: Harrisonburg, ... 15.00

Total for the month, ...$ 481.10
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

$ 481.10
Correction No. 2, ... 112.00

Total for the year, ...$593.10

HOME MISSIONS

Indiana—$44.33

Mid. Dist., S. S.: Lower Deer Creek, ...$ 3.33
No. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Chapel, ... 40.00
So. Dist., Indv.: Clara Favorite, ... 1.00

Missouri—$11.00

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mary M. Cox, (Warrensburg), ... 1.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Broadwater, ... 10.00

Nebraska—$50.00

Indv.: Mrs. J. S. Gabel, ... 50.00

Total for the month, ...$ 105.33
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 105.33

HOME MISSION SHARE PLAN

Illinois—$50.00

So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Blanche Marquiss (Okaw), ...$ 50.00

Total for the month, ...$ 50.00
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 50.00

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

Indiana—$3.60

Mid. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept., Flora, ...$ 3.60

Maryland—$5.00

Mid. Dist., S. S.: Creek Hill (Broadfording), 5.00

Total for the month, ...$ 8.60
Total previously reported, ... 0.00

Total for the year, ...$ 8.60

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Indiana—$4.50

So. Dist., S. S.: Middletown, ...$ 4.50

Montana—$10.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. John Wood, Sr. (Milk River Valley),	10.00
Nebraska—$50.00	
Indv. Mrs. J. S. Gabel,	50.00
Virginia—$6.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: D. J. Myers (Midland),	6.00
Washington—$50.00	
Cong.: Omak,	50.00
Total for the month,	$ 120.50
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total tor fhe year,	$ 120.50

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1927

Indiana—$33.44	
No. Dist., S. S.: "Ever Ready Class," La Porte, $30; Children of S. S., La Porte, $3.44,	$ 33.44
Minnesota—$2.00	
S. S.: Intermediate Class, Guthrie,	2.00
Missouri—$2.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: Children of No. St. Joseph,	2.00
North Dakota—$37.93	
S. S.: Children of James River,	37.93
Ohio—$45.33	
So. Dist., S. S.: Children of Brookville,	45.33
Total for the month,	$ 120.70
Total previously reported,	0.00
	$ 120.70
Correction No. 2,	25.50
Total for the year,	$ 146.20

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1928

California—$25.29	
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept., Covina,	$ 25.29
Total for the month,	$ 25.29
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 25.29

B. Y. P. D. FUND—1927

California—$7.50	
No. Dist., B. Y. P .D.: Laton,	$ 7.50
Washington—$20.00	
B. Y. P. D.: Olympia,	20.00
Total for the month,	$ 27.50
Total previously reported,	0.00
	$ 27.50
Correction No. 2,	40.85
Total for the year,	$ 68.35

B. Y. P. D. FUND—1928

Illinois—$25.00	
No. Dist., B. Y. P. D.; First Chicago,	$ 25.00
Ohio—$5.00	
So. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Piqua,	5.00
Oregon—$5.00	
B. Y. P. D.: Portland,	5.00
Pennsylvania—$5.00	
Mid. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Spring Run,	5.00
Washington—$10.50	
B. Y. P. D.: Omak,	10.50
Total for the month,	$ 50.50
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 50.50

INDIA MISSION

Illinois—$12.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: Illinois Park Union,	$ 12.00
Kansas—$10.00	
S. W. Dist., Cong.: J. D. Yoder (Monitor),	10.00
Maryland—$75.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: A. L. B. Martin & Wife (First Baltimore), $50; Wm. A. Hochstedler & Wife (Bethany), $25,	75.00
Pennsylvania—$70.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: Junior Sunbeam Class, Annville, $10; East Petersburg, $25; Salunga (E. Petersburg), $25,	60.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: No. 104603 (Lewistown),	10.00
Washington—$15.00	
Cong.: S. Bock (No. Spokane),	15.00
Total for the month,	$ 182.00
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 182.00

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Florida—$10.00	
Indv.: J. E. Young,	$ 10.00
Ohio—$15.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: Greenville,	15.00
Virginia—$20.00	
Sec. Dist., Aid Soc.: Bridgewater,	20.00
Total for the month,	$ 45.00
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 45.00

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Iowa—$5.00	
So. ist., S. S.: So. Keokuk,	$ 5.00
Pennsylvania—$38.25	
E. Dist., Aid Soc.: West Green Tree,	26.25
W. Dist., Cong.: Markleysburg,	12.00
Total for the month,	$ 43.25
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 43.25

INDIA SHARE PLAN

California—$25.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: "Abiding Branches" Class, First Los Angeles,	$ 25.00
Illinois—$12.50	
No. Dist., Cong.: Edith M. Scrogum (First Chicago),	12.50
Indiana—$125.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Lona Swihart (Mexico), $25; Aid Soc.: Manchester, $100,	125.00
Maryland—$25.00	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Altruistic Bible Class," Hagerstown,	25.00
Ohio—$6.25	
So. Dist., S .S.: "Golden Rule Class," Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater),	6.25
Pennsylvania—$25.00	
W. Dist., S. S.: "Hopeful Band Bible Class," Scalp Level,	25.00
Texas—$25.00	
Cong.: Dorothy E. and Lillian L. Hellerman (Fort Worth),	25.00
Virginia—$25.00	
Sec. Dist., Aid Soc.: Summit,	25.00
Total for the month,	$ 268.75
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 268.75

INDIA HOSPITALS

Alabama—$5.00	
S. S.: "Class in the Corner," Easley (Oneonta),	$ 5.00
Pennsylvania—$25.67	
So. Dist., Cong.: Upper Conewago,	25.67
Total for the month,	$ 30.67
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 30.67

INDIA MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$105.82	
So. Dist., La Verne Cong. for L. A. Blickenstaff & Wife,	$ 105.82
Idaho—$83.90	
Congs. of Idaho and W. Mont. for Anetta C. Mow,	83.90

Illinois—$280.00	
No. Dist., Mt. Morris College Missionary Society for D. J. Lichty,	275.00
So. Dist., Decatur S. S. for Darlene Butterbaugh,	5.00
Kansas—$599.62	
N. E. Dist., Sunday Schools for Ella Ebbert,	532.50
S. E. Dist., Parsons S. S. for Mrs. E. H. Eby, $4.70; Congs., S. S.'s, and Indvs. for Mrs. E. H. Eby, $62.42,	67.12
Missouri—$40.11	
Mid. Dist., South Warrensburg Cong. for Jennie Mohler, $25.11; Cal Beshore (South Warrensburg) for Jennie Mohler, $15,	40.11
Ohio—$33.46	
N. W. Dist., S. S.'s for Hattie Z. Alley,	33.46
Pennsylvania—$570.50	
E. Dist., Salunga S. S. (E. Petersburg), for Baxter Mow, $550; Spring Creek, Cong. for Eliza B. Miller, $20.60,	570.50
Virginia—$30.00	
No. Dist., Greenmount Cong. for I. S. Long & Wife, $5; "Mary & Martha" Class, Linville Creek, for Elizabeth Long, $25,	30.00
Total for the month,	$ 1,743.41
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 1,743.41

CHINA MISSION

Kansas—$10.00	
S. W. Dist., Cong.: J. D. Yoder (Monitor),	$ 10.00
Pennsylvania—$17.50	
So. Dist., Cong.: Codorus,	17.50
Washington—$15.00	
Cong.: S. Bock (No. Spokane),	15.00
Total for the month,	$ 42.50
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 42.50

CHINA SHARE PLAN

Florida—$50.00	
Indv.: Jos. D. Reish & Wife,	$ 50.00
Maryland—$75.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: Bethany,	75.00
Texas—$25.00	
Cong.: Dorothy E. and Lillian L. Hellerman (Fort Worth),	25.00
Washington—$25.00	
S. S.: Richland Valley,	25.00
Total for the month,	$ 175.00
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 175.00

CHINA MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

Colorado—$24.58	
E. Dist., Miami Cong. for Anna N. Crumpacker,	$ 24.58
Idaho—$104.20	
Congs. of Idaho and W. Mont. for Dr. D. L. Horning,	104.20
Indiana—$328.99	
Mid. Dist., Manchester College S. S. for Laura J. Schock,	275.00
No. Dist., S. S.'s for Mary Schaeffer,	53.99
Kansas—$10.00	
S. W. Dist., Congs. for F. H. Crumpacker,	10.00
Ohio—$540.00	
N. E. Dist., Freeburg S. S. for Sue R. Heisey,	540.00
Pennsylvania—$124.38	
E. Dist., Peach Blossom Cong. for Anna Hutchison,	74.38
Mid. Dist., Albright Cong. & S. S. for Olivia D. Ikenberry, $20; Everett S. S. for Dr. Carl Coffman, $30,	50.00
Tennessee—$14.00	
Knob Creek Aid Society for Anna Bowman Seese,	14.00
Total for the month,	$ 1,146.15
Total previously reported,	0.00
	$ 1,146.15
Correction No. 2,	25.00
	$ 1,171.15
Correction No. 1,	156.76
Total for the year,	$ 1,014.39

AFRICA MISSION

Indiana—$7.65	
No. Dist., Aid Soc.: Plymouth,	$ 7.65
Kansas—$10.00	
S. W. Dist., Cong.: J. D. Yoder (Monitor),	10.00
Maryland—$10.00	
W. Dist., Cong.: C. H. Merrill & Wife (Cherry Grove),	10.00
Missouri—$2.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mary M. Cox (Warrensburg),	2.00
Ohio—$100.00	
So. Dist., Indv.: Annie May Calvert,	100.00
Pennsylvania—$93.50	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: First Philadelphia,	93.50
Washington—$10.00	
Cong.: S. Bock (No. Spokane),	10.00
Wisconsin—$3.00	
S. S.: Primary Class, Worden,	3.00
Total for the month,	$ 236.15
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 236.15
Correction No. 2,	31.28
Correction No. 3,	30.00
Total for the year,	$ 297.43

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

California—$25.00	
No. Dist., C. W. S.: Oakland,	$ 25.00
Iowa—$5.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: L. Clark (Ottumwa),	5.00
Kansas—$75.00	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Willing Workers Class, Morrill,	75.00
Maryland—$25.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: Willing Workers Class, Woodberry,	25.00
Ohio—$20.00	
N. E. Dist., Indv.: A Sister,	20.00
Total for the month,	$ 150.00
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 150.00

AFRICA MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$122.50	
So. Dist., S. S.'s of So. Calif & Ariz. for Clarence Heckman,	$ 122.50
Indiana—$329.77	
Mid. Dist., Student Volunteers of Manchester College for Clara Harper Budget,	275.79
No. Dist., S. S.'s for Marguerite Burke Budget,	53.98
Pennsylvania—$684.35	
E. Dist., Indian Creek S. S. for Sara Shisler,	28.53
W. Dist., Quemahoning Cong. for Esther Beahm, $30.82; Maple Spring Aid Soc. (Quemahoning) for Esther Beahm, $30; Young People's Council for Marguerite Burke, $595,	655.82
Total for the month,	$ 1,136.62
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 1.136.62

NEAR EAST RELIEF

Pennsylvania—$111.60
E. Dist., Cong.: Spring Creek, $2; S. S.: Character Builders' Class, Midway, $5; Elizabeth Martin's Class, Midway, $6.50; "Willing Workers" Class, Midway, $1; Primary Dept., Spring Creek, $2.10; "Hopeful" Class,

Spring Creek, $30; Women's Bible Class, Spring Creek, $60; Men's Bible Class, $5,	111.60
Total for the month,	$ 111.60
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 111.60

GENERAL RELIEF

Michigan—$1.00	
Indv.: Unknown donor of Brutus,	$ 1.00
Total for the month,	$ 1.00
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 1.00

CONFERENCE BUDGET

Canada—$108.80	
Cong.: Bow Valley,	$ 108.80
Illinois—$3.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: O. E. Gibson, (First Chicago),	3.00
Indiana—$254.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Bachelor Run,	18.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Bethel, $10; Center, $19; New Paris, $45; Turkey Creek, $52; Margaret A. Johnson (First So. Bend), $100; Aid Soc.: Wabash City, $10,	236.00
Iowa—$200.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: English River,	200.00
Kansas—$5.00	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: W. C. Ruthrauff (Paint Creek),	5.00
Michigan—$25.00	
Indv.: Mrs. Harry Carmer,	25.00
Missouri—$50.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: Jas. S. Carney & Family (Shelby Co.),	50.00
New Mexico—$25.00	
Cong.: W. R. Hornbaker & Family (Clovis),	25.00
Ohio—$10.00	
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Two Sisters (Greenspring),	10.00
Pennsylvania—$52.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: Lititz, $10; Clara Funderburg (Lake Ridge), $5; Clayton B. Miller (Swatara, Big), $5,	20.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Cherry Lane,	7.00
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: 4th St. Chambersburg,	20.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Plum Creek,	5.00
Virginia—$42.17	
No. Dist., Cong.: Greenmount, $32.67; Upper Lost River, $4.50,	37.17
Sec. Dist., Aid Soc.: Moscow,	5.00
Washington—$5.00	
Cong.: M. A. Verbeck (Okanogan Valley),	5.00
Total for the month,	$ 779.97
Total previously reported,	0.00
	$ 779.97
Correction No. 2,	234.63
Correction No. 3,	30.00
Total for the year,	$ 515.34

CONFERENCE BUDGET DESIGNATED

Maryland—$50.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: Dr. C. A. Whisler (Denton),	$ 50.00
Total for the month,	$ 50.00
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 50.00

MARCH WORLD SERVICE

Canada—$25.00	
Cong.: Geo. C. Long (Sec. Irricana),	$ 25.00
Iowa—$25.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: E. L. West (Des Moines Valley),	25.00
Maryland—$115.00	
E. Dist., Indv.: C. F. & M. M. Fifer,	100.00
W. Dist., Cong.: C. C. Beachy (Bear Creek),	15.00
Michigan—$5.00	
Cong.: Torrence Townsend (Woodland),	5.00
Ohio—$155.00	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Harriet R. Kessler (Cleveland),	100.00
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. David Lytle (Deshler),	5.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Ira W. Petersime (Oakland),	50.00
Pennsylvania—$335.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: No. 104816 (Elizabethtown), $200; J. G. Graybill (White Oak), $50,	$ 250.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: A. B. Mock (Martinsburg, Clover Creek),	10.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Harry Kramer (Green Tree),	50.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Norman S. Berkey (Windber),	25.00
Total for the month,	$ 660.00
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 660.00

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Tribute to Missionaries

"When the history of India shall be really written, a large place will have to be given to the work of the Christian missionaries. The best we have we got from them. The high thoughts and the moral ideals of our Gandhi and our Rabinadrath Tagore were taught to them by missionaries."

These are not the words of a Christian. They were uttered by a learned Hindu, an official in government service.

And he repeated the same sentiment when he presided one evening at a Christian meeting where two hundred of the educated Mohammedans and Hindus had gathered in a large tent, where we were camping, to listen to Christian addresses.

A Hindu young man from a distant city, who was studying in the Bareilly College, called on me one day and told me that he was frequently an interested listener to my sermons in the English service, and that he had derived much help from missionaries. He is not far from the kingdom.

Another, a wealthy young Mohammedan, father of a family, called one day and said that for years he had desired to become a Christian. He said that his wife was unwilling to change her religion, but was determined not to leave him. His suggestion was that he go to another city to live, for he felt sure that if he remained in that city and became a Christian he would be killed. These three men had been touched by the Christian school and by personal contact with missionaries.—N. J. West.

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AMERICA

Church of the Brethren Industrial School, Geer, Va.

Bollinger, Amsey, and Florence, 1922
Finckh, Elsie, 1925
Hersch, Orville, and Mabel, 1925
Kline, Alvin, 1926
Wampler, Nelie, 1922

Dayton, Va.

Early, H. C., and Emma, 1925

In Pastoral Service

Bowman, Price, and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
Eby, E. H., and Emma, 3503 St. Joseph Ave., St. Joseph, Mo., 1927
Fahnestock, Rev., and Mrs. S. G., 1105 Haight Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
Haney, R. A., and Irva, Lonaconing, Md., 1925
Horner, W. J., and Hazel, 3122 Ellis Ave., Fort Worth, Texas, 1920
Rohrer, Ferdie, and Pearl, Jefferson, N. C., 1927
Royer, Naomi, 1059 Michigan Ave., Portland Ore., 1927
Showalter, R. K., and Florence, Rosepine, La., 1926
White, Ralph, and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923

In Evangelistic Service

Smith, Rev., and Mrs. S. Z., Sidney, Ohio

SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö, Sweden

Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

Liao Chow, Shansi, China

Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
Senger, Nettie M., 1916
Shock, Laura J., 1916

Peking, China
% No. China Language School

Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921, and Lulu, 1919

Ping Ting Chow, Shansi, China

Crumpacker, F. H., 1908
Flory, Edna R., 1917
Metzger, Minerva, 1910
Schaeffer, Mary, 1917

Show Yang, Shansi, China

Neher, Minneva J., 1924
Ulery, Ruth F., 1926

T'ung Chow, Chihli, China

Flory, Byron M., and Nora, 1917
Heisey, Walter J., and Sue, 1917
Oberholtzer, I. E., and Elizabeth, 1916
Seese, Norman A., and Anna, 1917

On Furlough

Baker, Elizabeth, 426 E. 51st St., Chicago, Ill.
Bright, J. Homer, and Minnie, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1911
Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, La Verne, Calif., 1924
Clapper, V. Grace, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1917
Cline, Mary E., Seth Low Hall, 106 Morningside Drive, New York City, 1920
Crumpacker, Anna, McPherson, Kans., 1908
Horning, Dr. D. L., and Martha, 1136 Michigan Ave., Topeka, Kans.. 1919
Horning, Emma, 730 Molino Ave., Long Beach, Calif., 1908
Hutchison, Anna, Westernport, Md., 1911
Ikenberry, E. L., and Olivia, 3343 Whitney Ave., Mt. Carmel, Conn., 1922
Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater, Va., 1919
Smith, W. Harlan, and Frances, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1920
Sollenberger, O. C., and Hazel, % J. W. Coppock, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, 1919
Vaniman, Ernest D., and Susie. La Verne, Calif., 1913
Wampler, Dr. Fred J., and Rebecca, Accomac, Va., 1913

AFRICA

Garkida, Nigeria, West African, via Jos

Flohr, Earl W., and Ella, 1926
Gibbel, Dr. J. Paul, and Verda, 1926
Harper, Clara, 1926
Helser, Albert D., 1922, and Lola, 1923
Robertson, Dr. Russell L., and Bertha C., 1927
Shisler, Sara, 1926

Dille, via Jos and Maiduguri, Nigeria, West Africa

Burke, Dr. Homer L., and Marguerite, 1923
Kulp, H. Stover, 1922, and Christina, 1927

On Furlough

Mallott, Floyd, and Ruth, 5479 Ellis Ave., Chicago, Ill., 1924
Heckman, Clarence C., and Lucile, Polo, Ill., 1924
Beahm, Wm. M., and Esther, Elgin, Ill., % General Mission Board

INDIA

Ahwa, Dangs, India

Butterbaugh, A. G., and Bertha, 1919
Garner, H. P., and Kathryn, 1916

Anklesvar, Broach Dist., India

Grisso Lillian, 1917
Long, I. S., and Effie, 1903
Moomaw, I. W., and Mabel, 1923
Woods, Beulah, 1924

Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

Cottrell, Dr. A. R., and Laura, 1913
Mohler, Jennie, 1916
Shumaker, Ida C., 1910

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

Blickenstaff, Verna M., 1919
Ebbert, Ella, 1917
Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
Nickey, Dr. Barbara M., 1915
Roop, Ethel, 1926
Swartz, Goldie E., 1916

Jalalpor, Surat Dist., India

Miller, Eliza B., 1900

Vada, Thana Dist., India

Brumbaugh, Anna B., 1919
Ebey, Adam, and Alice, 1900
Kaylor, John I., 1911, and Ina, 1921

Palghar, Thana Dist., India

Alley, Howard L., and Hattie, 1917

Post Umalla, via Anklesvar, India

Miller, Arthur S. B., and Jennie, 1919
Wolf, L. Mae, 1922
Ziegler, Kathryn, 1908

Vyara, via Surat, India

Brooks, Harlan J., and Ruth, 1924
Mow, Anetta, 1917

Burjor Bag, Lunsikui, Navsari, India

Mow, Baxter M., and Anna, 1923

Woodstock School, Landour Mussoorie, W. P., India

Stoner, Susan L., 1927

On Furlough

Blickenstaff, Lynn A., and Mary, 129 Orange Ave., Long Beach, Calif., 1920
Blough, J. M., and Anna, 1309 Franklin, Johnstown, Pa., 1903
Hollenberg, Fred M., and Nora, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Kintner, Elizabeth, Ney, Ohio, 1919
Lichty, D. J., 1902, and Anna, 1912, Trotwood, Ohio
Miller, Sadie J., R. F. D., Waterloo, Iowa, 1903
Royer, B. Mary, Richland, Pa., 1913
Shickel, Elsie N., 2211 Orange Ave. N. W., Roanoke, Va., 1921
Shull, Chalmer, and Mary, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Summer, B. F., and Nettie, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
Wagoner, J. E., and Ellen, North Manchester, Ind., 1919
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Editorial

WILL CHURCHES FOLLOW THEIR MINISTER?

In Pennsylvania a certain church during one year gave $268 for missions. The church changed pastors and the second year thereafter gave $656 for missions.

In Missouri a church gave $334 in one year. They changed pastors and the second year thereafter directed by another pastor gave $182.

In Indiana a church gave $835 in one year, and when their pastor moved and another came they gave $380 in a year.

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EXIT COMMUNISM FROM CHINA

About a year ago the papers were full of Russia in China. Today Russia's influence is scarcely mentioned. Hardly a year ago Borodin was the political adviser to the Nationalist government. The Communists were organizing the laborers and peasants for an industrial revolution, and were carrying on expensive anti-foreign and anti-Christian propaganda.

Now the Nationalist party has ousted the Communists from its ranks in response to public opinion. New leaders, many of them trained in American universities, are in power. These statesmen are responsible for the friendly attitude toward America and Christian institutions.

While our missionaries are doing their part in China let us see to it that our country maintains Christian attitudes toward China, and that our own missionary zeal does not lag. As this is written it appears as if the Nationalist party would come into possession of Peking. There is a strong probability that the backbone of the war will then be broken and Christianity will come into a new era in China.

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HINDUISM, ATHEISM, OR CHRISTIANITY

A missionary and a Hindu gentleman, after transacting business the other day, started to discuss religion. The Hindu said to the missionary: "What do you think will have happened to Hinduism fifty years from now?"

The missionary, not having met the gentleman before, cautiously replied: "I presume Hinduism will reform herself from within and adapt herself to new conditions."

To this the Hindu replied: "I beg to differ with you. Fifty years hence Hinduism will be practically extinct."

The missionary asked why he was so pessimistic. He answered that Hinduism could never survive the light which science is giving to the world. "Every year finds Hinduism more powerless and impotent," he said. "My father was a liberal Hindu for his day, but he dared not defy Hinduism as I can do in my day."

Here was this Hindu losing faith in his religion because the light of science had shown its weakness. The next step for him was atheism. The Hindu, religious by nature, does not desire to become atheistic, but cannot hold on to a religion which to him has lost its worth. The beauty of Christianity is that it does not contradict scientific truth. Every new advance in the discovery of truth finds the principles of Christ big enough to include it. Herein is the weakness of Hinduism.

More missionaries are needed in India, and they should be of a type that can present the expanding Christ, whose truth encompasses all that man has ever discovered.

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CAPACITIES FOR CHRISTIANITY IN OTHER RACES

There is ample evidence that even those in the lowest rung of the ladder of civilization have in them the capacity to develop into educated and cultured men and women. An outstanding illustration is the development of the Battak people in the mountain country of North Sumatra who, under the Rhenish Missionary Society of Germany, have abandoned cannibalistic habits, ceased their tribal wars, improved their social and economic conditions and have erected and maintained modern schools, hospitals and churches with a total baptized Christian community of a quarter of a million people.

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Evangelism

Touring in Vyara Villages

J. M. BLOUGH

Missionary to India Since 1903

"Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom."

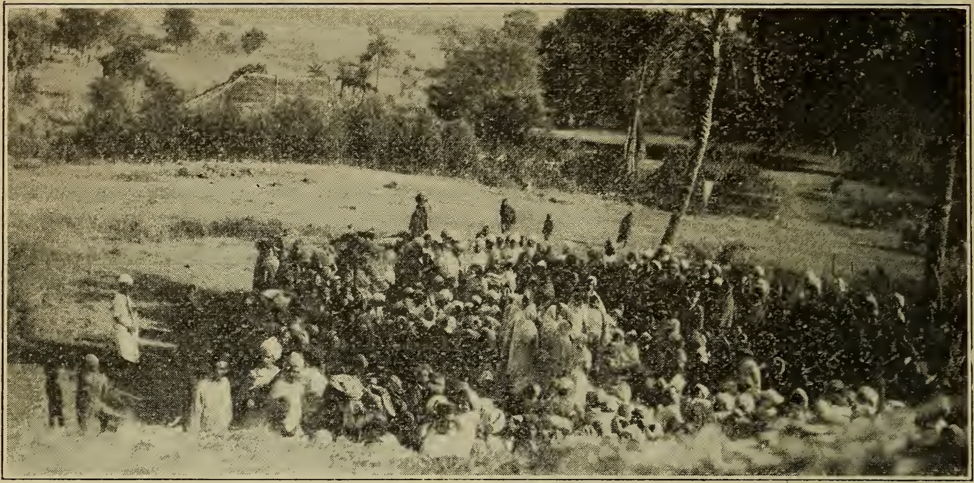
MISSIONARIES aim to follow in the footsteps of their Lord, and evangelistic missionaries are never happier than when they can go preaching in the villages as Jesus did. This privilege has been ours for seven years, and we wish to share a little of our joy with you. The village people are the common people, and as the common people heard Jesus gladly, so the common people hear the gospel story gladly today.

Jesus preached in the synagogues, but he also preached out in the open places by the seaside and on the mountain. We find no synagogues at all in which to preach, so all our meetings are held out in the open, under trees by day and under the stars by night. In some villages weekly markets are held, and these afford an excellent opportunity to meet many people. I wish to tell you about one such market. Our tents were set close by the market site. The preceding night 500 people attended our meeting. During the night and early morning the shopkeepers brought their wares in ox-carts and displayed them for sale in small booths which they set along the road. The shopkeepers come from larger towns, five to ten miles distant. The booths are very temporary, made of a few poles and canvas or cloth. Some shops do not even have booths.

Early in the morning the village people for miles around come to trade, many of them bringing a little cotton, grain or vegetables from their homes, which they trade for cloth or vessels or something which they need. Some simply come with a little money. We watch our time when the market is well filled with people, and then begin our meeting. This time we chose the village school front yard, as it was a nice, clean, unoccupied place near the market, yet far enough distant not to disturb the market nor be disturbed by it.

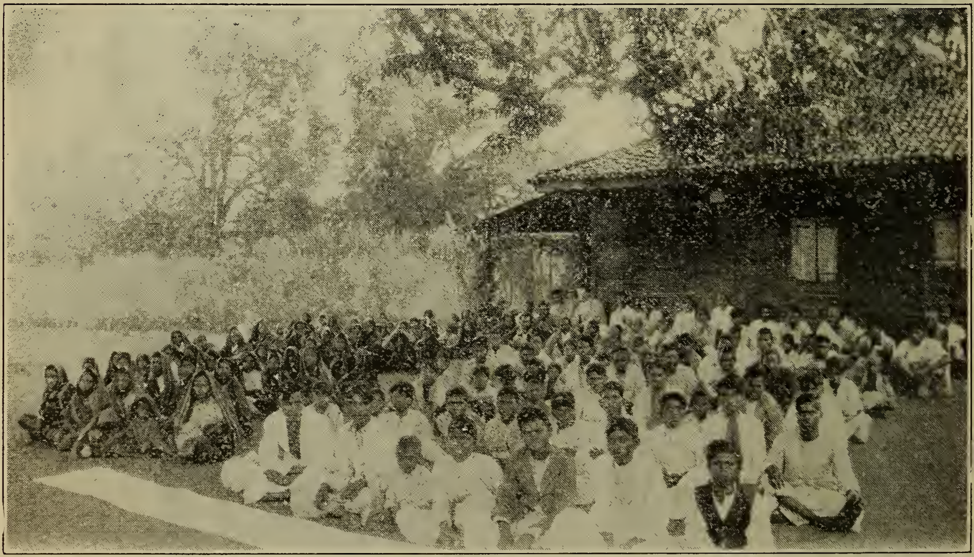
The Christian company is made up of four Indian men, and a dozen girls from the boarding school whom Sister Mow had so kindly brought to help us. We seat ourselves on the ground with phonograph and

Evangelistic Camp. Twenty School Girls Are Taking Part



Singpur Market Meeting

" This village meeting at Singpur is about 20 miles north and east from Vyara. The day we were in camp at this place, there was a village market held in the village. At five o'clock in the morning, we heard the carts come creaking in, stop, unload. These carts drove through from larger towns such as Vyara, Songadh and Navapur—coming distances of 10, 15, 20 and 30 miles. They brought a varied and curious collection of the things which villagers like to buy. By daylight, the road was lined on both sides for one-fourth mile with little shops. These shops were made out of bamboo poles driven into the ground with a canvas, or gunny sacking thrown over them. And they looked very attractive! One might buy a little of most anything from these shops, from candy, popcorn, strings of beads, looking glasses, men's coats, earthen vessels, tobacco, toddy, salt, and grain. The villagers brought grass and grain on their heads in exchange for the things in the shops. The market was a swarming, busy place for about five hours, and then just as quickly as it all began, it stopped and went away. By 11: 30 every sign of a " town " was gone. Such is a village market which comes each week during the cool season."



Indian Village Love Feast

" A love feast at the village of Hasvav, 12 miles south from Vyara. After this picture was snapped, many more people continued to come. It was a large meeting and lasted until 10 o'clock at night. This was but one of the eight village love feasts held during this last touring season. I recall some nine years ago when Brother Long had the first love feasts in these villages. They were so new to the people that many times they laughed and felt ashamed to wash feet, and they didn't like to drink the grape juice (juice off of raisins) for in their ignorance they thought it was blood. But as the years have passed these people are learning to understand, and they can enter into the sacredness of a love feast in a way which makes us rejoice."

musical instruments. First of all one man plays the drums, and at once the people begin to gather around us on all sides and crowd right up against us. We try to make them sit down, but they are so eager to see that only a few can be kept down. Two girls stand up and lead a song. This is a great novelty to them, as their girls do not go to school. It is a fine advertisement for female education. Then the phonograph plays. This is another novelty, for many never heard it before.

By now several hundred people are gathered around us and we begin a second part of our meeting. The girls one by one stand up and recite some choice Bible verse, then together they repeat the twenty-third Psalm. Then one of the men stands up,

Jivanji Hira Administers Baptism

"Baptism scene in the village of Chickhli (pronounced chick-lee). In this village the Government has built a dam for holding water for irrigation, and we came to this place for the baptism. Ten men and boys were baptized, coming from three different villages. Jivanji Hira, our Vyara pastor, is administering the rite. Brother Blough stands at the left-hand side. After this baptism, the group went back to the Mission village schoolhouse and enjoyed a love feast together. Fifty-seven communed. Over two hundred people were present."

J. M. Blough Administers Baptism

Baptism in a little stream at the village of Petadhra. 18 miles south from Vyara. Seventeen were baptized at this time, most of them being young men. Surely these young people are the hope of the church. That same evening a love feast was held. It was a quiet, orderly service.

and after a short prayer preaches a five or ten-minute sermon. He may tell a Bible story or something else interesting, for if it is not interesting the people will begin to talk and walk away. Sermons must be short and attractive. Then the girls sing another song, the phonograph plays again, another one speaks, and so we keep on in this fashion as long as the people wish to hear. The meeting lasts from one to two hours. Several times during the meeting gospels and tracts are offered for sale. The picture shows this meeting in progress.

" When he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion for them, because they were distressed and scattered, as sheep not having a shepherd."

By the time the meeting closes we are all tired and find ourselves sitting in the sun, for the sun is high and the shade is gone. This section of the country is new to the Gospel, with scarcely a Christian for miles around except a few boys who had been in the boarding school. At markets and in other places our hearts often fill with joy as some boys and girls, men and women, push their way through the crowd while the meeting is in progress and sit down with the Christian group and help us. They are either Christians or are under instruction for baptism. Publicly they take their stand with us and we rejoice. They have learned about Christ and are willing to declare it. God be praised for them!

Now I want to tell you about village love feasts. Seven such feasts were held last winter and we enjoyed them all very much. These are held in the older villages, where there is a Christian community which arranges it and bears the expense. At three of these feasts new members were added to the church. At one three were baptized, at another ten, and at a third seventeen. This adds greatly to the joy of the occasion. The pictures show lovely baptismal scenes. Here is also a picture of a village feast. We sit outside as we have no churches to accommodate such large crowds. Many who are not Christian also attend. About three hundred were present at this meeting later in the evening. Only a fourth of them were Christian. But how glad we are when others will also come and eat with us. At another feast four hundred were present and over a hundred Christians. Oh, the villages are accepting the Christ and learning to follow him! Pray for these young churches in the villages and give cheerfully to build up hundreds of others.

"The harvest indeed is plenteous, but the laborers are few."

The China Mission

Report of the Work of the Church of the Brethren in China for the Year 1927

N. A. SEESE

CHRISTIANITY has passed through many vicissitudes in China since its introduction into this country. But the modern missionary movement, which began about a century and a quarter ago, went through the most trying experience of its history during the year 1927. Yet, contrary to what one would think, it made substantial progress along certain lines during the year.

Previous opposition to Christianity was directed from within China, but the violent outburst against it for the last two or three years, which reached its high tide in 1927, was directed by a malicious, materialistic force from without. This force is well known to be opposed to most of the higher refinements of civilized society. The propaganda directed against Christianity was unreasonable, vicious falsehoods, designed to appeal to the baser emotions and prejudices of the crowd. As such it could not be met by apologetic methods or reason. It spread over the country so rapidly that no effective means could be organized to oppose it. The Christians had to withstand the opposition for the most part as local groups, relying largely for their defense on individual faith and courage.

During these few years, the active opponents felt sure that Christianity was engaged in its death struggle in China. Even now, they insist, it is living through its last days in China. In coming to this conclusion they fail to understand and appreciate the means of the Christian's defense, namely, his faith and experience with the living God and spiritual fellowship with Jesus Christ. These are powerful weapons. Many Christians were confronted with the choice of standing by their faith and experience with persecution as the result, or denying them and thus gaining freedom from further molestations. The great majority decided to stand by their religion. The opposition forces have not understood nor grasped the significance of this fact. Hence, they go believing that Christianity is dying out.

Shansi Province, where our mission is located, was less disturbed than most other provinces. The province has been well governed ever since the republic began and the governor kept a strong hand on the disturbing elements. When the province went over to the Kuomintang, there were no disturbances. However, before the year ended the province declared war on the Peking Government and considerable excitement prevailed from then on.

Because of this favorable condition our work was not subjected to the ravages which missions in many other parts of China suffered. This made it much easier for our Christians to keep the work going while the foreigners were away. They did very creditable work on the whole and deserve our increasing confidence in their sincerity and ability. It is true they worked according to a program which the foreigners had helped to establish, but for the most part they showed themselves in sympathy with the program and endeavored to put it through successfully.

The evangelists kept on with their preaching and teaching. They not only gave help and inspiration to the members, but when the missionaries returned in the fall they found a number of applicants ready for baptism at three of the four stations. This speaks well for the evangelistic group. It shows that God can use men and women for the spread of his kingdom regardless of their race or nationality.

Those who were left in charge of the schools also showed themselves to be worthy of confidence. They were careful with the funds entrusted to them, and in most ways administered the schools much as the foreigners did when they were in charge of them. Some felt uneasy, lest the schools might not close properly in the spring after the missionaries left, and that this would result in a smaller student body in the fall, but the schools opened with a general increase in enrollment. This is evidence that the schools were closed in good shape. It gives us reason to believe that the Chinese teachers and principals have ability to manage the schools.

The medical work kept up remarkably well during the summer months. At Show Yang and Liao Chow the doctors had been at their places for a number of years and consequently had things well in hand. At Ping Ting Chow the doctor was a new man with us, but he had had a number of years of experience before he came to us and he proved to be capable and possessed with a fine Christian spirit. He won the confidence of the Chinese people in a fine way.

We are not justified, though, in concluding from this experience that the work of the missionary is about over and that we can prepare to leave the work with the Chinese alone. No one would regret this more than those Chinese who are sincerely interested in the church. The work is confronted with new tasks every year. Aims and purposes must be more clearly defined and methods modified to suit the aims of the work. The Chinese need to be instructed in the nature and meaning of the church as distinct from certain institutions which it fosters. These and many other problems make the foreign missionary indispensable for years to come.

There was very little building done in the mission during 1927. The mission's future needs in this respect will not be large. There are about enough foreign residences to house all the families and single ladies comfortably. The institutional buildings are about sufficient for the work. Those needed in the future will not be enough to make it necessary to form any policy concerning them. This means that the mission should be much less expensive to the home church in this respect in the future than it has been in the past.

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Notes from Our Fields

CHINA NOTES FOR APRIL

Lulu W. Coffman

However, the notes that I have are all for March. Miss Metzger reported for Pingting, and her letter was twenty days coming through. All winter the mails have been uncertain, sometimes delayed for two weeks or a month, and again coming through in a week's time.

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We at the coast are eagerly looking forward to the coming of President and Mrs. Winger the last of May. However, we are very sorry that they will be unable to go interior and visit the work there.

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Pingting

Surprises are taking place all the time. The latest was when Mr. Oberholtzer and Mr. Heisey suddenly came upon us when we had just received word that no one was allowed to pass the lines of the military. They succeeded in getting around the lines. On the outskirts, by the help of a guide who knew the place well and who knew some of the soldiers, they managed to get by the Peking soldiers. They carried passes from the governor of Shansi, who was glad to have them come back to the province. These passes, when presented to the Shansi military staff, allowed them to pass the lines, even though apparently all travelers both ways were being stopped and turned back. Their mule drivers were turned back and a new lot of drivers were procured at the border. These men are evangelists at Showyang and Liao, and we are very glad to see them again. The Chinese are even more glad to see them than we are, if that is possible.

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It is twelve days now since we have had any news from the outside, and we do not know whether our letters are being carried to the coast or not. We trust that they are. I sometimes tell the folks that it seems to take more faith and trust to live in China now than ever before.

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This seems to be an especially good time to reach the boys and girls of China. The government primary schools appear to have gone to pieces for lack of supervision and support financially, and because of this our primary schools for both boys and girls are crowded to the limit of their capacity. Our high school has all the students we can possibly accommodate with our present equipment and dormitories. For next year we must make plans more fully to accommodate those who come. The spirit in the school is remarkably good. A few days ago we saw a number of higher primary students playing ball with their teachers, and the good fellowship among them was very noticeable. The old lines of demarkation of teacher and students is breaking down in a very blessed way. The teachers are mostly young men, and those who play with the students are the favorites in the classroom.

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Our two Chinese doctors are kept busy these days. Yesterday they had three major operations. Patients who come daily number between thirty and forty. Those lying in the hospital average about thirty most of the time. The hospital seems to fill a need in this section of the province. Many of the better homes have been furnishing a goodly number of maternity cases in recent months. The fear of men doctors is breaking down rather rapidly.

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Our Pingting station is trying out more fully than ever before the idea of having a love feast and a good meeting with the out-stations at least once a year, and perhaps twice if the experiment is a success. The Chinese like a "Je Nao." This translated, literally, means a "hot noisy clamor." In simple English we would say a "hot time." It is a way they have had in the past, and we must make use of it, if we can, to bind them together.

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Plans are beginning to be made for summer institutes with the evangelists and teachers. So in most ways we can say that in part, at least, the work moves on in a semi-normal fashion, though we seem to be terribly shut off from the rest of China and from the rest of the world. May the Lord bless China as she tries to extricate herself from the military rulers.

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Liao Chou. March News

Reported by Dr. T. H. Wang

The mumps have visited the Boys' School, the principal and about one-fourth of the students having had them. Mr. Ts'ai, the principal, was quite ill for about two weeks.

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A class of ten interested women is being held at Matien by Miss Senger. She also reports increased interest among the women generally.

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An unfortunate and sad circumstance occurred at the Women's Bible School. One Sunday, while one of the young mothers was eating her dinner, her little girl of less than two years disappeared, and after much hunt-

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The Workers' Corner

The Editor Invites Helpful Contributions for This Department of the Visitor

MISSIONARY NEWS

Evangelism in China

One of our missionaries, Ruth Ulrey, from Show Yang, China, tells of holding a class for new Christians at an out-station. One home was represented by one who told an interesting life story. The father of the home became a Christian first and did all he could to persuade the mother to become a Christian. No persuasions would bring results, so he finally theatened to leave her if she continued in her idolatrous worship. This brought about the desired results, and now the mother is as happy as she can be in her Christian life. She and all the children and their two chickens (the latter which they could not leave at home because there would be no one to feed them) came to the Bible class that was held here and staid the entire time. The son, of about twelve years, had to return home during the class for food, which he carried back to the church compound with him. This same boy was baptized a few days later. They certainly are a fine group of people, and it is on such families as this that the future church of China must depend, both morally and spiritually.

The Chinese evangelist who had the mission work in charge while the missionaries were away from the station, having been ordered to the coast, gave several very fine addresses to the people in the way of helps to deeper spiritual growth and preparation for the baptizing, communion, and Lord's Supper. There were six people baptized, two of whom were over fifty years of age. The husband was fifty-six and the wife forty-six. They seemed as happy as could be. Thirty-six surrounded the table at the love feast.

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Contributions From Africa

The Garkida church in Africa contributed fourteen pounds, sixteen shillings, and one offering this year. Included in this con- pence (about $71.95) toward the Conference tribution is a gift from the missionaries and others at the Gardemna Station. The Christian boys seemed eager to add their bit. This is probably the first time that a contribution from any of the African people has come back to the United States.

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Chinese Nurse Serves as Doctor

The Chinese doctor who is located at the Show Yang station was recently called to Ping Ting to help take part in some very important business being transacted for the mission. As there was no other doctor at Show Yang to take charge while he was gone, his wife, who is a trained nurse, took care of his patients. She has four small children in her own home, but still was able to take care of the doctor's work.

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Information for Missionary Program

A church worker in Ohio writes that her class is going to put on a foreign mission program, make a service flag and a book about missionaries. This book is to include the pictures of missionaries, and she is ordering from the General Mission Board for 5 cents the sheet of 99 missionaries, which is available at this time.

This church worker also asked other questions which were answered, as follows:

1. Where will we find an up-to-date list of all missionaries listed according to fields and stations, and date of taking up missionary work? Answer: On the inside back cover of the Missionary Visitor.

2. Where can we find the names of missionaries who have died? Answer: In the 1928 Yearbook, page 30.

3. Where can we find the total number of converts on each field? Answer: 1928 June Missionary Visitor, pages 170, 173, and 175.

The annual report from the China field is not in this year's June Visitor, but the figures from their church membership from a year ago show 981.

4. What book will supply us with good missionary readings of various kinds? Answer: Missionary Program Material, published by the Missionary Education Movement, price $1. Order it from the Brethren Publishing House.

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McPherson College Deputation Work

The students of McPherson College, represented in their several organizations, the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A., the World Service group, the College Christian Endeavor and the faculty, visited fifty-five churches in the McPherson territory and traveled about seven thousand miles in so doing. All of the churches contributed offerings, and the excess above expenses amounted to $58.79 for the past school year.

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MISSIONARY PROJECT WORKERS

The following report shows the enrollments for the 1928 Missionary Projects by the children and young people since May 11 to June 9. Up to date we have 3,213 children and 1,548 young people enrolled. Leaflets will be sent free explaining the projects by the General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill.

Congregation	**J. C. L.**	**B. Y. P. D.**
Canada		
Irricana		26
Idaho and Western Montana		
Nampa	36	
Southern Illinois		
Okaw	14	
Woodland	14	
Middle Indiana		
Salamonie	25	
Wabash Country		8
Southern Indiana		
Four Mile	25	
Middle Iowa		
Iowa River		16
Southern Iowa		
English River		20
South Keokuk		13
Northeastern Kansas		
Buckeye	12	
Morrill	32	
Washington Creek	18	
Southwestern Kansas		
Monitor	20	
Michigan		
New Haven	12	
Nebraska		
Bethel	40	16
Southern Ohio		
Donnels Creek	26	
West Milton	40	30
Eastern Pennsylvania		
Shamokin	25	
Spring Creek	19	
Middle Pennsylvania		
Hollidaysburg	37	
New Enterprise	60	90
Western Pennsylvania		
Ligonier	35	
Penn Run	20	
Red Bank	16	
Texas and Louisiana		
Fort Worth	35	
Eastern Virginia		
Cannon Branch	19	
Northern Virginia		
Linville Creek	20	
Washington		
Forest Center	22	2
Sunnyside	29	

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CONGREGATIONS GIVING $5 OR MORE

(Continued from Page 230)

Elizabethtown, Eastern Pennsylvania	464	5.91
La Motte Prairie, Southern Illinois	25	5.90
Franklin Grove, Northern Ill. & Wis.	247	5.88
Hatfield, Eastern Pennsylvania	180	5.87
Manchester, Middle Indiana	916	5.84
Covina, Southern California	147	5.82
Richland, Eastern Pennsylvania	194	5.75
Shepherd, Michigan	58	5.71
Bagley, Middle Iowa	19	5.70
Panther Creek, Middle Iowa	192	5.63
Hartville, Northeastern Ohio	233	5.62
Wakarusa, Northern Indiana	81	5.54
Patterson, Northern California	16	5.54
Carlisle, Southern Pennsylvania	75	5.44*
Lower Stillwater, Southern Ohio	91	5.39
Fraternity, Southern Virginia	85	5.38
English River, Southern Iowa	163	5.37
Lick Creek, Northwestern Ohio	115	5.32
Lebanon, Second Virginia	141	5.31
Bear Creek, Southern Ohio	212	5.25
La Verne, Southern California	646	5.24
Pleasant View, Northwestern Ohio	229	5.15
Donnels Creek, Southern Ohio	97	5.05
Chiques, Eastern Pennsylvania	270	5.03

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*This average exceeded $5.00 only through the known extra large contributions of one or more individuals.

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Keep the Heart Warm to Need

Enclosed find $30 for world-wide missions. I have seen in the Messenger that through lack of funds the missionaries cannot return to foreign countries. Yes, indeed, this makes us feel very sad. We are poor financially, but try to send our bit. Tithing surely does pay.

A Sister in Pennsylvania.

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God wants the man who is Big enough to be Small enough to be used. "Go work today in my vineyard."

THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY

Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

An Indian Medical Play

A play presenting medical work in the India Mission. The children of the Brotherhood, Junior Church Leaguers, are furnishing the medical funds to be used in 1928. Every church is invited to enlist its children's groups in this project.

5:45 Monday morning.—Miss Saheb in bed, hears coughing in front of bungalow. Peeping out, sees twenty or more people seating themselves in semicircle at the front steps. Nearly all have bandages on their legs.

6:00 o'clock.—Miss Saheb appears on the scene, saying salaam to all. A basin of lysol solution and a garbage-basket are brought out. One by one old bandages are taken off and a wad of cotton soaked in lysol-solution put on the ulcers. After all are cared for thus, a box of bandages, a can of sulphur-ointment and a bottle of mixed iodoform and boric-acid powders are brought out; and beginning again at the end, each one in turn is cared for.

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First Patient.—(Looking approvingly at his ankle) My foot is much better this morning, isn't it? The hole isn't so deep.

Miss Saheb.—Indeed it is better. It took a long time to clean it, but now it is healing. If you come regularly it will be well in a few days. Turn your foot a bit, so I can sprinkle this yellow powder right into that hole. (Binds on bandage and passes to next patient.)

Miss Saheb.—(To second patient) This foot looks ugly yet. Why didn't you come Saturday morning? You should come every time I tell you to come.

Second Patient.—I had to cut stubble in the field and couldn't come.

Miss Saheb.—Come every time. Remember, the more you come the quicker it will heal.

Miss Sahib and the Morning Clinic

Miss Saheb.—(Coming to a large girl lying in the circle, a bit to one side) Who is this?

Fourth Patient. — She is my brother's daughter. I brought her with me.

Miss Saheb.—(Lifting off lysol-soaked cotton) This is an awful leg—almost from the toes to the knee! (While cleaning the raw surface, the girl groans in pain. A peacock-feather is tied around the ankle, and this filthy thing is fastened into the sore. This feather is cut loose, and more wet cotton is put on the leg. While this is soaking the dirt loose, the Miss Saheb passes on to Patient No. 4.)

Fourth Patient.—(A man who has been coming for one week) (Pointing to No. 3) She is from Teechakpura. She's been sick for six months. She can't walk. Her family called the bhagat [pow-wow doctor], and he did all sorts of things to cure her, but she is only getting worse. After I saw that my foot was getting better, I hitched up the cart and went to bring her. She's staying at my house now, and I'll bring her every time.

Miss Saheb.—I'm glad you brought her. We'll do all we can to clean up that leg, but really you should take her to the government doctor. That is a doctor's job and I am no doctor.

Fourth Patient.—No, I'll not take her to that doctor. She's in your hands.

Miss Saheb.—(To boys Nos. 5 and 6) You two boys have been coming faithfully for four weeks, haven't you? That is fine! and just see how nearly well your feet are! Chagan, this foot looks different from what it did when you came the first time, don't it? Do you remember how on the second morning, when I cut away the dead flesh, you lay down and cried! and now look, that deep hole is gone and it looks dry and smooth. I'll put some more powder on today and you come back on Wednesday, and then maybe I can discharge you. Govind, your ankle is doing fine, too, but you will have to keep on coming awhile longer.

Seventh Patient.—(The old grandfather, we called "Doso") You will give me leave today, won't you? My leg is well. (Pointing to the healed spot, after the soaked cotton was removed.)

Miss Saheb.—(Examining carefully) Yes, Doso, I believe your leg is well. You have come faithfully for five weeks, and it ought to be well, hadn't it? I'll sprinkle a little powder on it and tie it up. And here are two bandages for you to take along home. You should keep your leg tied up for a week or more yet, so it stays clean. I'll give you leave today. You have been faithful, Shabash Doso! (Well done, grandfather.)

(The grandfather hands over two annas to the Miss Saheb, about .4 cents.) In the meanwhile a cart stops at the gate and a man and woman lead in an old grandmother and seat her outside the circle. (The old woman groans.)

(The Miss Saheb continues on around the circle, binding on iodoform and boric-acid powder, until she reaches No. 12.)

Miss Saheb.—My little girl, how do you feel this morning? You are more acquainted with me now, aren't you? And I'll not hurt you so much any more. See! your leg is getting clean and those ugly yellow spots look red now. Just see how that sulphur-salve has cleaned your leg! Now, this morning I'll put on this sparkling yellow powder. If you come faithfully your leg will heal nicely. Be sure to come on Wednesday.

Miss Saheb.—(Turning to a mother with a babe in her arms. Babe is covered with itch) How is this baby's head this morning? (Removes a cap made from an old sheet.) Fine! this salve is cleaning off that horrid red-paint and cow-dung which you had smeared on your baby's head. Yes, yes, the baby will have to cry! It does hurt, I know, but I must wash his head with this solution. . . . There! finished! Now, here is another cap filled with sulphur-salve. I'll tie it on, and you must bring the baby back on Wednesday morning, without fail. Oh, yes! I almost forgot his arms and legs. They must be tied up too. Sister, you must learn to keep the baby and yourself clean. If you kept your clothes and your body clean you wouldn't be covered with itch like this. See! you have itch all over your hands! It's no wonder that your baby gets it. (Miss Saheb ties up the mother's hands.)

Miss Saheb.—(Beginning on No. 14, a woman with a terrible foot. The sole seems loosened from the bone) Well, Radti's mother, what is this foot doing? Looks about like it did, don't it? (By clipping off dead crusts and scales, and pressing at various angles, almost a half pint of pus pours out of the honey-combed sole of the foot. The Miss Saheb has serious doubts whether she can ever help that foot, but says)—Well, Radti's mother, we'll bind on a lot more of this salve this morning and see what happens. Maybe it will get clean after awhile. (The woman hobbles off.)

Six or eight other ankles are tied up and one little boy's ear (covered with itch) cleaned and covered with salve. Then the Miss Saheb returns to the girl lying on the ground and spends fifteen minutes trying to clean out proud-flesh and open sacks of pus. Then a yard of bandage, smeared with sulphur ointment, is bound around the leg. When this is done, eight men and two women arise and go to the cart in the road. Two men help the girl into the cart. Three people remain in the yard—the old grandmother and her attendants.

Miss Saheb.—(To the group) From what village do you come?

Man.—From Champavada.

Miss Saheb.—How far is that from here?

Man.—About four miles.

Miss Saheb.—Alas! Dosi mother, you have one of those horrid tropical ulcers on your ankle too, don't you? How long have you had it?

Man.—Her leg has been sore for two months.

Miss Saheb.—Why didn't you come for medicine right away?

Man.—We have been doing medicine, but it won't heal.

Miss Saheb.—All right, we will clean up this foot and then it will have a chance to get well. (Miss Saheb puts on cotton soaked in lysol-solution. Lets this soak for fifteen minutes while she enters the bungalow and eats her breakfast—it being nearly eight o'clock.)

Miss Saheb.—(To the group) I'll bind on a lot of salve this time (ties on a long bandage covered with sulphur-ointment) and you must bring Dosi back on Wednesday. Remember now! bring her back on Wednesday.

Man.—Yes, we'll come back in two days (counting off on his fingers) and I'll bring my daughter and her children along. A lot of folks in my village have these sores on their legs this year.

Miss Saheb.—(Clearing up after all are gone) Why won't these folks go to the Government doctor! That old uncle this morning just clicked his teeth and said no, when I told him I couldn't help that girl with the peacock feather tied around her ankle, but told him to take her to the doctor in the bazaar. So I just had to do the best I could. My, if I was an M. D. wouldn't I have a PRACTICE!! Surely the Lord does bless our feeble, unscientific efforts, and I'm glad the people know that we love them and want to help them.

EXIT

Vyara, via Surat. Anetta C. Mow.

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Haxtun, Colorado, Junior Mission Study

The Haxtun Juniors recently gave the play. "What My Church Has a Right to Expect of Me." It was rendered in a splendid way and gave a message to the church. This play followed a three months' study of the book, "Our Japanese Friends."

EVERYDAY LIFE IN AFRICA

The Juniors will recall the faces of Lewis Benton and Julia Ann Flohr, which brightened page 200 last month. Now we have a little story from Julia Ann, and we will all get our heads together and read it. Don't you think she must be a busy little girl? She says her mother is teaching her, and this story is one of her language exercises. American youngsters may find some suggestive hints in it, when they scratch their heads and wonder, "What shall I write about?"

Gardemna, via Jos and Damaturu,
Nigeria, W. Africa,
March 18, 1927.

Dear Junior Friends:

We are just back from church; it is ten o'clock now. We go to church at nine. One of the native boys preached; his name is Hyelandika. He preached about NIKODIMU. I think there were about 175 people at church today. One woman brought her little tiny baby to church, tied on her back. Its name is Musa. Some of the people put money into the collection box. These are the songs we sang: Pazhi Jakta (There's Not a Friend Like the Lowly Jesus), Gan Hyel Arna (You Are My God), Pazhi na wala (The Great Physician), Hu ni, hu ni (Praise Him, Praise Him). Daddy led in prayer and we closed with Ka mbru vunkir sili aka Hyel (Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow). Lewis Benton and I don't know some of these in English. Mama told us just now what they are. We sing in Bura always. We have learned to understand and speak Bura and we enjoy it.

Every Market Day I count out the money for our boys to buy things for us. Market Day is on Saturday. We can get yams, meat, eggs, chickens, native potatoes, baskets, guinea corn, small mats or rugs made of the palm fronds, and native salt at the market.

Last week I started teaching a few of the beginners in school for mother. Here are some of the sentences: Today is Market Day. At eight o'clock we boys stop work and go to market. We take our money, two pence, three pence or six pence. If we see peanuts or "livar" we buy. Meat and milk are very good to us. We see our friends at market because lots of people come there.

Mother, Lewis Benton and I went to the village to visit one day. We saw a lot of little goats, some tiny ones. We have a mama goat and a baby goat. They are our pets. We have another pet—a grey horse, named "Puru." Native horses are not much larger than ponies. Our aunt gave us $12 to buy a donkey with, but we thought we liked a horse better.

We went to the compound of one of daddy's friends one day. His little girl had a "livar" tied on her back for her doll. Livar is the sprout of the palm tree, it is white and is about six inches long. She gave me a "livar" doll but when I got home I lost it (maybe one of our boys ate it; livar is a good native food). Then I bought eight more for one cent; I kept two, one for Lewis Benton and one for myself, and gave the rest to our boys.

The Buras eat a corn mush of guinea-corn ground fine; it is made very stiff and they form it into balls. They eat it with cooked greens, meat, beans, peanuts and okra boiled together, chicken or tender green leaves of trees. They never have more than one of these at one time but they always have the mush, it is their bread. They seldom have anything left over but if they do they eat it the next meal, they call it maichikul. They eat only two meals a day usually, at 9:30 A. M. and at 6 P. M. If they have milk, or rather buttermilk, they will mix that with guinea-corn flour and eat it at noon. Other foods are pumpkin, cucumbers, native potatoes, and yams which they grow during the rainy season. They also eat the native figs, and a lot of seeds from trees and fruits too.

The men sleep on cornstock cots. The women and children sleep on palm-frond mats. The baby is carried on the mother's or sister's back. I carry my doll on my back.

Now listen to a conversation with some of my Bura friends:

Julia Ann: Usi Jenaba, gir ta daha ashina ya?

Good morning, Jenaba, are you going to design gourds today?

Jenaba: Ii, yer ta daha ashina, dingya daha adi aka alaga ya?

Yes, do you have a designing knife?

Julia Ann: Awa, adi aka li wa.

No. I do not.

Mwala Hawa: Dingya adi abilezi ta dila.

A designing knife can be bought out there.

Julia Ann: Mamasari?

What is the price?

Mwala Hawa: Kobo suda.

Two pence.

Julia Ann Flohr.

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BY THE EVENING LAMP

Dear Aunt Adalyn: We are having some pretty weather. As one of the girls wrote, things don't always go right for me, but we should smile, and things will go better. We have started a Sunday-school here and they have put me in as card (or primary) teacher. I will do the best I can. I joined the church and I will be baptized in this month (May). I have read many stories about the missionaries, and hope some day I can be a missionary too. Father is the pastor of this church. I have four brothers and one sister. I am the oldest. We haven't sent in any money for our "black brothers," but hope we can soon. I am sure the children would just love to earn money to send for the children that can't help themselves. I have some flowers blooming in the yard, including roses. I like roses best of all.

Ewing, Va. Readith M. Sutton.

They are putting responsibilities on you early, but I know you will do the very best you can. It will be a good introduction to your prospective training as a missionary.

Dear Aunt Adalyn and Juniors: Although I can hardly be called a Junior any longer, I still like to read the Juniors' letters, and want to be in your pleasant circle again. It has been several years since I have written, so I suppose I am a stranger to most of you. I am now fifteen years old. I am a sophomore in Weyers Cave high school, of which my father is principal. He is also a minister. Weyers Cave is in the Shenandoah Valley. It is also near the beautiful Grand Caverns. The B. Y. P. D. at the Pleasant Valley church to which I go is not very active, but I hope that it will do better now that summer is almost here. I like to attend the meetings and try to do my part when asked to help. I am very much interested in athletics and like to play basketball, girls' baseball and tennis, although I am not very efficient in any of them. I have written to quite a few of the Juniors and like to hear from them. I would be glad to hear from some of you Juniors or young people.

Weyers Cave, Va. Lois Sanger.

The age line is not very carefully drawn around our circle, so you may draw up your chair and "be free."

NUTS TO CRACK

Curtailments

1. Remove the last letter of a kind of dried fuel, and leave a garden vegetable. (Example: Peat—pea.)
2. Curtail the angry voice of a dog, and leave to become larger.
3. Curtail an old-fashioned vehicle, and leave a male deer.
4. Curtail the backbone, and leave to twist into threads.
5. Curtail vision, and leave a long breath.
6. Curtail purchased, and leave a branch of a tree.
7. Curtail to crush in a mill, and leave a broad smile.
8. Curtail a map, and leave to scorch wood.

American Rivers Dammed Up

1. Do shun.
2. Wear deal.
3. And crumble.
4. A. B. Shaw.
5. U I so rims.
6. Coal door.
7. Sara sank.
8. I maul cob.

Answers next month

JUNE NUTS CRACKED

Missing Words.—1. Ball—bawl. 2. Ceiling—sealing. 3. Coat—cote. 4. Rower—roar. 5. Guessed—guest. 6. Dyer—dire. 7. Blew—blue. 8. Bough—bow.

Metamorphoses.—1. Star—rats. 2. Mush-hums. 3. Shad—dash. 4. Pare—reap. 5. Shaw—laws. 6. Hops—shop. 7. Sink—skin. 8. Sore—rose.

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China Missionaries Locate Hidden Cave

Reports had been circulated at the Show Yang station that there was a hidden cave in one of the missionaries' yards. By some it was supposed to have been used during the Boxer times in 1900, and others thought it was used to keep medicines in years ago when the English people did work at this place. To satisfy their own curiosity and that of others, the missionaries set out to see if they could locate such a cave. They succeeded in their search. It is not a very large place, but can be well used in case of need for such a hiding place in the future.

The Record of Giving

of the Church of the Brethren

For the Year Ended February 29, 1928

Statistics Arranged by

Congregations and Church Districts

General Statistics

Compiled by the

COUNCIL OF PROMOTION

Church of the Brethren

Elgin, Illinois

Giving of Individual Congregations

Name of Congregation	

1. Florida & Georgia

Arcadia	$ 19.25
Brooksville	21.54
Chosen	
Clay County	46.00
Lakeland	17.18
Orlando	23.00
Sebring	526.14
Seneca	97.86
Sunnyland	
Zion	66.40
Unallocated	94.50

2. North & South Carolina

Bailey	
Brummett Creek	
Flat Rock	27.76
Golden	
Green River Cove	
Little Pine	1.99
Melvin Hill	54.06
Mill Creek	13.85
Mt. Carmel	15.51
Mountain View	
New Bethel	
New Haven	17.65
Peak Creek	11.01
Peterson Chapel	
Pigeon River	
Pleasant Grove	7.50
Pleasant Valley	8.20
Rowland Creek	
Spindale	6.00
Unallocated	44.00

3. Tennessee

Bailey Grove	100.00
Beaver Creek	18.60
Bristol	
Cedar Creek	
Cedar Grove	20.00
Central Point	
Cumberland	
Ewing	2.25
French Broad	56.45
Fruitdale	88.00
Hawthorne	
Jackson Park Memorial	40.95
Johnson City	83.71
Knob Creek	178.61
Liberty	18.80
Limestone	89.79
Lone Star	
Meadow Branch	48.35
Midway	
Mountain Valley	124.60
New Hope	64.36
Oneonta	13.85
Piney Flats	
Pleasant Hill	56.45
Pleasant Mount	
Pleasant Valley	
Pleasant View	
Sweetwater Valley	39.80
Walnut Grove	13.04
White Horn	3.25
Wolf Creek	
Unallocated	54.90

4. Southern Virginia

Antioch	403.50
Beaver Creek	.89
Bethlehem	338.02
Brick	251.55
Burks Fork	34.66
Christiansburg	44.15
Coulson	4.00
Fraternity	456.90
Laurel Branch	50.14
Maple Grove	
Mt. Hermon	15.30
Mt. Jackson	
Pleasant Hill	1.55
Pleasant Valley	46.67
Pulaski City	8.00
Red Oak Grove	51.00
Schoolfield	15.71
Shelton	13.68
Smith River	10.47
Snow Creek	41.07
Spray	20.57
St. Paul	
Texas Chapel	
Topeco	138.06
Walkers Well	
White Rock	.40
Unallocated	264.04

5. First Virginia

Antioch	93.96
Bluefield	
Cloverdale	956.69
Copper Hill	53.46
Crab Orchard	9.25
Daleville	426.78
Greenbriar	7.00
Green Hill	134.77
Hopewell	8.30
Jeters Chapel	
Johnsville	22.16
Kanawha Valley	
Lynchburg	80.24
Monroe	
Mt. Joy	36.70
Oak Grove	143.69
Oakvale	
Otter River	1.12
Peters Creek	447.46
Pleasant View	177.20
Poages Mill	86.68
Roanoke, Central	160.23
Roanoke, First	842.14
Roanoke, Ninth St.	119.00
Saunders Grove	
Selma	35.00
Smith Chapel	22.00
Terrace View	30.13
Tinker Creek	26.20
Troutville	477.88
Unallocated	352.61

6. Eastern Virginia

Belmont	60.30
Bethel	
Central Plains	
Fairfax	229.86
Hollywood	26.42
Locust Grove	8.00
Madison	20.00
Manassas	235.81
Midland	140.04
Mine Run	
Montebello	
Mt. Carmel	173.90
Nokesville	241.50
Oronoco	21.25
Rappahannock	
Richmond	5.25
Trevilian	14.18
Valley	196.10
Unallocated	154.92

7. Second Virginia

Barren Ridge	769.92
Beaver Creek	255.61
Bridgewater	2,143.68
Buena Vista	4.00
Chimney Run	33.13
Concord	2.75
Crummits Run	
Elk Run	353.26
Hevener	
Lebanon	749.41
Middle River	1,135.49
Moscow	99.88
Mt. Vernon	38.00
North Fork	8.00
Pleasant Valley	999.32
Sangerville	588.43
Staunton	44.00
Summit	671.17

Valley Bethel	49.28
Waynesboro	39.00
White Hill	8.00
Unallocated	41.50

8. Northern Virginia

Brocks Gap	51.50
Cedar Grove	
Cooks Creek	703.78
Damascus	11.02
Flat Rock	672.55
Greenmount	935.63
Harrisonburg	149.65
Linville Creek	734.60
Lower Lost River	3.41
Mill Creek	1,572.94
Moorefield	11.37
Mt. Zion	121.33
No. Mill Creek	45.26
Pleasant View	51.62
Powells Fort	8.56
Rileyville	64.60
Salem	121.13
Smiths Creek	42.21
South Fork	28.92
Timberville	1,079.36
Unity	649.59
Upper Lost River	61.32
Woodstock	157.20
Unallocated	185.64

9. First West Virginia

Allegheny	34.25
Bean Settlement	50.12
Beaver Run	128.70
Brookside	
Capon Chapel	61.23
Cheat River	9.50
Eglon	730.97
Greenland	96.87
Harman	166.48
Keyser	69.56
Knobley	139.85
Lead Mine	
New Creek	46.00
North Fork	14.02
Old Furnace	106.55
Red Creek	42.75
Sandy Creek	1,086.52
Seneca	44.60
Tearcoat	227.13
White Pine	139.59
Unallocated	52.50

10. Second West Virginia

Beans Chapel	14.00
Bethany	90.00
Goshen	24.00
Mt. Hebron	2.00
Mt. Zion	5.00
Pleasant Hill	5.00
Pleasant Valley	45.00
Shiloh	24.00
Union Chapel	16.00
Valley River	107.12
Unallocated	74.25

11. Eastern Maryland

Baltimore, First	427.82
Baltimore, Woodberry	671.49
Beaver Dam	79.36
Bethany	449.46
Bush Creek	295.03
Denton	360.45
Frederick City	335.38
Green Hill	95.94
Locust Grove	46.71
Long Green Valley	255.95
Meadow Branch	2,060.91
Middletown Valley	740.83
Monocacy	116.00
Mountaindale	
Piney Creek	73.81
Pipe Creek	1,898.78
Reisterstown	24.88
Sams Creek	188.31
Thurmont	65.48
Washington City	853.00
Unallocated	155.55

12. Middle Maryland

Beaver Creek	216.15
Berkeley	60.45
Broadfording	405.03
Brownsville	498.39
Hagerstown	2,579.66
Johnsontown	12.50
Licking Creek	22.00
Long Meadow	354.69
Manor	314.54
Pleasant View	1,209.68
Welsh Run	245.59
Unallocated	138.76

13. Western Maryland

Bear Creek	323.65
Cherry Grove	255.06
Fairview	70.81
Georges Creek	69.46
Maple Grove	21.43
Oak Grove	18.37
Pine Grove	2.00
Westernport	14..83
Unallocated	26.50

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Ambler	259.38
Amwell	10.00
Brooklyn, First	86.50
Brooklyn, Italian Mission	28.41
Coventry	1,011.80
Green Tree	1,185.00
Harmonyville	216.71
Norristown	261.75
Parkerford	663.93
Philadelphia (Bethany)	310.00
Philadelphia (Calvary)	305.36
Philadelphia (First)	1,246.50
Philadelphia (Geiger Mem.)	199.00
Philadelphia (Germantown)	1,521.40
Pottstown	21.00
Royersford	986.06
Springfield	368.87
Wilmington	103.04
Unallocated	265.00

15. Middle Pennsylvania

Albright	252.40
Altoona, First	1,082.76
Altoona, 28th St.	445.09
Ardenheim	227.17
Artemas	38.27
Aughwick	228.57
Bellwood	97.72
Burnham	111.63
Carson Valley	198.35
Cherry Lane	54.71
Claysburg Mission	
Clover Creek	269.66
Dry Valley	246.30
Dunnings Creek	153.00
Everett	639.883
Fairview	175.02
Hollidaysburg	103.42
Huntingdon	2,175.00
James Creek	83.62
Juniata Park	102.50
Koontz	79.57
Leamersville	20.38
Lewistown	2,333.49
Lower Claar	20.00
New Enterprise	1,133.96
Queen	5.00
Raven Run	27.65
Riddlesburg	7.07
Roaring Spring	322.72
Smithfield	31.49
Snakespring	407.54
Spring Run	1,046.87
Stonerstown	49.84
Tyrone	245.65
Upper Claar	14.80
Warriors Mark	95.21
Williamsburg	426.67
Woodbury	534.02
Yellow Creek	147.75
Unallocated	165.39

16. Western Pennsylvania

Bear Run	
Berlin	114.92
Bolivar	26.05
Brothers Valley	142.50
Chess Creek	5.00
Conemaugh	84.65
Connellsville	117.42
Cumberland	21.97
Elbethel	
Elk Lick	5.00
Geiger	246.28
Georges Creek (Uniontown House)	230.48
Georges Creek (Fairview House)	48.19
Glade Run	126.95
Greensburg	340.50
Greenville	15.91
Hooversville	63.33
Hyndman	
Indian Creek	37.32
Johnstown	1,981.47
Ligonier	193.60
Locust Grvoe	123.83
Manor	219.35
Maple Glen	111.19
Markleysburg	6.00
Meyersdale	514.59
Middle Creek	157.81
Montgomery	48.41
Morrellville	10.63
Mt. Joy	689.01
Mt. Pleasant	48.00
Mt. Union	50.00
Moxham	164.10
Nanty Glo	29.60
Penn Run	129.60
Pittsburgh	436.00
Pleasant Hili	193.39
Plum Creek	492.27
Quemahoning	887.38
Red Bank	184.64
Rockton	104.14
Rockwood	103.15
Roxbury	822.41
Rummel	669.46
Scalp Level	1,499.95
Shade Creek	291.91
Sipesville	76.30
Somerset	85.10
Summit Mills	43.30
Ten Mile	28.74
Trout Run	
Westmont	229.13
Windber	358.48
Wooddale	
Unallocated	553.72

17. Eastern Pennsylvania

Akron	209.85
Annville	697.65
Chiques	1,359.46
Conestoga	1,001.88
Conewago	203.00
East Petersburg	856.91
Elizabethtown	2,741.70
East Fairview	592.90
Ephrata	1,800.57
Fredericksburg	315.15
Harrisburg	635.86
Hatfield	1,056.44
Heidelberg	450.34
Indian Creek	1,659.21
Lake Ridge	131.87
Lancaster	879.11
Lititz	547.31
Maiden Creek	529.16
Mechanic Grove	406.18
Midway	694.19
Mingo	901.63
Mountville	475.41
Myerstown	364.07
Palmyra	2,602.92
Peach Blossom	413.64
Reading	231.52
Richland	1,116.40
Ridgely	318.62
Schuylkill	50.23
Shamokin	70.45
Spring Creek	1,198.20
Spring Grove	185.67
Springville	379.40
Swatara, Big	766.29
Swatara, Little	481.44
West Conestoga	360.87
West Greentree	626.29
White Oak	1,323.28
Unallocated	280.78

18. Southern Pennsylvania

Antietam	223.93
Back Creek	265.60
Buffalo	67.85
Carlisle	407.78
Chambersburg	83.08
Codorus	449.37
Falling Spring	160.37
Hanover	293.84
Huntsdale	304.96
Lost Creek	294.30
Lower Conewago	54.33
Lower Cumberland	84.94
Marsh Creek	171.13
Mechanicsburg	425.22
Mount Olivet	155.61
New Fairview	342.09
Newville	90.19
Perry	126.16
Pleasant Hill	167.60
Ridge	59.23
Shippensburg	205.00
Sugar Valley	116.94
Upper Codorus	469.55
Upper Conewago	1,059.46
Waynesboro	7,013.01
York, First	958.63
York, Second	
Unallocated	272.95

19. Northeastern Ohio

Akron	702.38
Alliance	43.07
Ashland City	296.73
Ashland Dickey	470.95
Baltic	226.88
Bethel	95.31
Black River	546.14
Bristolville	3.00
Canton City	202.76
Center	267.87
Chippewa	290.36
Cleveland	164.50
Danville	540.52
East Chippewa	556.80
East Nimishillen	446.53
Freeburg	1,233.70
Goshen	143.34
Hartville	1,310.27
Kent	97.53
Loudonville	10.00
Maple Grove	453.38
Mohican	121.65
Mt. Zion	20.00
New Philadelphia	72.29
Olivet	947.39
Owl Creek	446.66
Reading	144.53
Richland	128.17
Springfield	253.10
Tuscarawas	23.00
West Nimishillen	137.62
Woodworth	128.96
Wooster	438.56
Zion Hill	215.34
Unallocated	24.44

20. Northwestern Ohio

Bellefontaine	92.58
Black Swamp	252.61
County Line	176.64
Defiance	174.57
Deshler	71.09
Dupont	138.27
Eagle Creek	441.84
Eden	77.90
Fairview	78.20
Fostoria	323.08
Grenespring	352.73
Hicksville	9.00

Lick Creek	611.55
Lima	429.45
Logan	510.20
Marion	163.99
Pleasant View	1,177.26
Poplar Ridge	418.47
Portage	38.83
Rome	119.10
Ross	65.00
Sand Ridge	52.55
Silver Creek	241.64
Sugar Creek	121.87
Sugar Ridge	19.00
Swan Creek	99.25
Toledo	169.63
West Fulton	1.00
Unallocated	3.00

21. Southern Ohio

Ash Grove	
Bear Creek	1,113.12
Beaver Creek	138.04
Beech Grove	235.40
Bradford	59.05
Brookville	436.14
Cassel Run	
Castine	240.17
Charlestown	
Cincinnati	95.14
Circleville	3.50
Constance	28.00
Covington	655.00
Donnels Creek	489.95
East Dayton	324.71
Eversole	138.00
Ft. McKinley	687.83
Georgetown	165.42
Greenville	344.05
Hamilton	6.42
Harris Creek	622.32
Lexington	
Lower Miami	415.34
Lower Stillwater	490.14
Marble Furnace	25.54
May Hill	
Middle District	237.68
Middletown	67.71
New Carlisle	1,140.99
Oakland	492.46
Painter Creek	552.25
Piqua	74.96
Pitsburg	552.81
Pleasant Hill	315.87
Pleasant Valley	21.89
Poplar Grove	402.68
Prices Creek	214.20
Salem	1,494.60
Sidney	98.82
Springfield	211.59
Stone Lick	1.00
Strait Creek Valley	20.00
Trotwood	1,106.39
Troy	21.00
Union City	228.18
Upper Twin	135.07
West Alexandria	117.79
West Branch	76.58
West Charlestown	209.86
West Dayton	475.12
West Milton	427.13
White Oak	
Unallocated	1,172.53

22. Michigan

Battle Creek	119.45
Bear Lake	6.01
Beaverton	236.56
Crystal	15.37
Detroit	110.00
Elmdale	37.10
Elsie	27.58
Grand Rapids	107.52
Harlan	23.02
Hart	51.30
Homestead	2.19
Lake View	88.56
Long Lake	128.47
Marilla	7.54
Midland	38.13
New Haven	42.82
Onekama	70.79
Ozark	
Pontiac	20.91
Rodney	28.84
Shepherd	341.23
Sugar Ridge	92.26
Sunfield	66.40
Thornapple	91.00
Vestaburg	6.85
Woodland	474.13
Woodland Village	49.41
Zion	34.17
Unallocated	104.75

23. Northern Indiana

Auburn	108.56
Baugo	289.44
Bethany	439.82
Bethel	173.92
Blissville	114.75
Blue River	242.50
Bremen	372.79
Buchanan	8.40
Camp Creek	54.27
Cedar Creek	92.15
Cedar Lake	156.85
Center	181.87
Elkhart City	795.97
Elkhart Valley	312.69
English Prairie	94.22
Fort Wayne	92.00
Goshen City	785.05
LaPorte	203.19
Maple Grove	193.96
Middlebury	432.95
Mt. Pleasant	383.11
Nappanee	483.35
New Paris	823.31
New Salem	130.02
North Liberty	347.38
North Winona Lake	315.71
Oak Grove	226.80
Osceola	116.70
Pine Creek	242.83
Pleasant Chapel	85.60
Pleasant Hill	127.00
Pleasant Valley	393.49
Pleasant View Chapel	12.00
Plymouth	382.85
Rock Run	718.25
Salem	45.00
Shipshewana	123.28
South Bend, First	1,814.76
South Bend, Second	119.86
Syracuse	23.00
Tippecanoe	6.01
Topeka	
Turkey Creek	143.00
Union Center	573.30
Wakarusa	449.04
Walnut	148.26
Wawaka	108.00
West Goshen	750.05
Yellow Creek	307.50
Unallocated	93.32

24. Middle Indiana

Andrews	148.07
Bachelor Run	306.07
Beaver Creek	148.97
Bethel Center	12.09
Burnetts Creek	55.35
Cart Creek	170.47
Clear Creek	580.55
Delphi	4.00
Eel River	441.52
Flora	754.95
Hartford City	21.66
Hickory Grove	306.14
Huntington City	385.35
Landessville	40.43
Logansport	
Loon Creek	258.35
Lower Deer Creek	77.92
Manchester	5,345.98
Markle	91.50
Mexico	1,227.38
Monticello	327.57
Ogans Creek	40.53

Peru	182.49
Pipe Creek	771.32
Pleasant Dale	284.40
Pleasant View	269.50
Plunge Creek Chapel	48.97
Portland	58.33
Prairie Creek	21.56
Roann	83.22
Salamonie	585.54
Santa Fe	195.33
Somerset	
South Whitley	169.31
Spring Creek	546.12
Sugar Creek	35.90
Upper Deer Creek	7.40
Wabash	68.80
Wabash City	78.42
Walton	112.39
West Eel River	119.25
West Manchester	747.22
West Marion	2.20
Unallocated	171.68

25. Southern Indiana

Anderson	689.53
Arcadia	78.25
Beech Grove	36.01
Bethany	5.00
Buck Creek	600.46
Fairview	260.00
Four Mile	707.69
Howard	84.00
Indianapolis	268.87
Killbuck	45.12
Kokomo	88.75
Ladoga	81.86
Maple Grove	116.04
Middletown	346.47
Mississinewa	127.35
Mt. Pleasant	203.17
Muncie	216.58
Nettle Creek	727.27
New Bethel	15.93
New Hope	2.50
Pyrmont	310.50
Richmond	9.10
Rossville	555.49
Sampson Hill	8.00
Summitville	7.48
Upper Fall Creek	35.26
White	137.06
Unallocated	682.20

26. Western Canada

Bow Valley	144.55
Fairview	32.30
Irricana	1,138.00
Merrington	63.84
Redcliff	53.10
Second Irricana	415.69
Vidora	
Unallocated	20.00

27. North Dakota & Eastern Montana

Berthold	6.00
Bowden Valley	
Brumbaugh	48.39
Cando	193.79
Carrington	45.30
Egeland	78.09
Ellison	143.50
Englevale	25.07
Grand View	48.88
James River	8.50
Kenmare	126.08
Milk River Valley	
Minot	106.00
New Rockford	
Pleasant Valley	
Poplar Valley	5.00
Ray	
Salem	
Surrey	88.60
Turtle Mountain	
Williston	
Unallocated	51.80

28. Northern Illinois & Wisconsin

Ash Ridge	
Batavia	111.20
Bethel	563.16
Chelsea	
Cherry Grove	416.90
Chicago	2,689.14
Chippewa Valley	57.32
Dixon	73.42
Elgin	1,086.33
Franklin Grove	1,452.81
Freeport	86.21
Hickory Grove	81.97
Lanark	714.38
Lena	185.23
Maple Grove	36.50
Milledgeville	363.97
Mt. Carroll	
Mt. Morris	1,754.55
Pine Creek	32.35
Polo	377.19
Rice Lake	54.18
Rock Creek	15.27
Rockford	62.19
Shannon	73.97
Stanley	35.99
Sterling	205.36
West Branch	107.17
White Rapids	87.78
Worden	11.59
Yellow Creek	46.92
Unallocated	260.79

29. Southern Illinois

Allison Prairie	103.56
Astoria	340.63
Big Creek	67.78
Blue Ridge	25.00
Camp Creek	2.00
Canton	97.70
Cerro Gordo	398.54
Champaign	96.21
Decatur	104.30
Girard	634.98
Hurricane Creek	20.00
Kaskaskia	
LaMotte Prairie	147.49
Liberty	67.98
Loraine	9.00
Martin Creek	2.00
Mulberry Grove	5.00
Oak Grove	29.37
Oakley	334.09
Okaw	876.27
Panther Creek	56.47
Pleasant Grove	1.00
Romine	33.51
Springfield	32.58
Virden	608.53
Woodland	281.45
Unallocated	53.00

30. No. Iowa, Minnesota & So. Dakota

Curlew,	308.99
Franklin County	113.57
Greene	174.20
Guthrie	65.76
Hancock	57.83
Ivester	1,405.53
Kingsley	256.85
Lewiston	78.85
Minneapolis	174.13
Monticello	46.80
Morrill	
Nemadji	9.85
Root River	407.21
Sheldon	259.39
Slifer	41.75
South Waterloo	3,613.03
Spring Creek	91.08
Willow Creek	125.25
Winona	9.55
Worthington	69.92
Unallocated	175.15

31. Middle Iowa

Ankeny	85.56
Bagley	108.38
Beaver	122.56
Brooklyn	60.21
Cedar	208.98

Cedar Rapids	592.74
Coon River	136.98
Dallas Center	1,197.87
Des Moines, First	117.10
Des Moines Valley	304.00
Dry Creek	59.10
Fernald	
Garrison	57.31
Indian Creek	2.00
Iowa River	91.27
Maxwell	153.13
Muscatine	78.08
Panther Creek	1,081.60
Prairie City	140.27
Unallocated	

32. Southern Iowa

Council Bluffs	91.17
English River	875.90
Fairview	70.00
Franklin	85.04
Libertyville	164.18
Monroe County	37.51
Mt. Etna	184.25
North English	256.99
Osceola	10.00
Ottumwa	102.09
Salem	160.10
South Keokuk	175.70
Unallocated	20.00

33. Nebraska

Afton	105.25
Alvo	51.00
Arcadia	4.00
Beatrice	68.80
Bethel	593.21
Edison	
Enders	166.22
Falls City	123.01
Juniata	
Kearney	194.98
Lincoln	169.63
Octavia	259.35
Omaha	79.53
Red Cloud	6.80
Silver Lake	76.53
South Beatrice	313.68
South Loup	4.65
South Red Cloud	
Unallocated	207.00

34. Northeastern Kansas

Abilene	213.11
Appanoose	191.03
Buckeye	31.36
Calvary	37.35
East Maple Grove	.50
Holland	28.80
Kansas City	63.98
Lawrence	37.13
Lone Star	52.76
McLouth	46.00
Morrill	1,022.60
Navarre	110.82
Olathe	119.77
Ottawa	237.55
Overbrook	156.10
Ozawkie	85.35
Ramona	109.88
Richland Center	101.89
Rock Creek	8.25
Sabetha	800.84
Topeka	302.86
Wade Branch	24.00
Washington	60.14
Washington Creek	44.66
Unallocated	51.62

35. Northwestern Kansas

Belleville	102.39
Burr Oak	18.22
Maple Grove	104.65
North Solomon	130.91
Quinter	402.26
Victor	83.51
White Rock	53.57
Unallocated	52.65

36. Southeastern Kansas

Fort Scott	12.50
Fredonia	76.19
Galesburg	194.75
Grenola	10.00
Hollow	55.85
Independence	90.15
Mont Ida	78.77
Osage	206.48
Paint Creek	25.72
Parsons	167.36
Scott Valley	10.50
Verdigris	11.50
Unallocated	39.30

37. Southwestern Kansas

Bloom	90.49
Conway Springs	187.28
Eden Valley	99.24
Garden City	110.56
Hutchinson	160.22
Larned, Rural	246.27
McPherson	965.95
Monitor	1,396.90
Newton	155.88
Peabody	56.66
Pleasant View	100.45
Prairie View	51.81
Royer Community	1.55
Salem	200.97
Walnut Valley	29.00
Wichita, First	320.44
Wichita, West	112.35
Unallocated	107.40

38. Eastern Colorado

Antioch	101.29
Bethel	
Colorado Springs	548.64
Denver	117.65
Haxtun	178.01
McClave	61.90
Miami	95.60
Rocky Ford	500.75
Sterling	61.91
Wiley	72.87
Unallocated	69.96

39. Western Colorado & Utah

First Grand Valley	148.89
Fruita	162.08
Grand Junction	
Smith Fork	
Unallocated	5.00

40. Okla., Panhandle Texas & New Mex.

Ames	
Bartlesville	46.58
Bethel	10.00
Big Creek	221.68
Clovis	100.20
Elk City	
Guthrie	14.93
Leedy	
Monitor	19.00
Oklahoma City	10.00
Paradise Prairie	150.00
Pleasant Home	
Pleasant Plains	5.00
Prairie Lake	
Red River	
Thomas	265.25
Washita	377.89
Waka	
Unallocated	84.75

41. Texas & Louisiana

Fort Worth	230.81
Manvel	243.84
Nocona	94.25
Roanoke	353.25
Rosepine	156.34
San Antonio	
Unallocated	70.28

42. Northern Missouri

Honey Creek	32.15

Log Creek	
North Bethel	110.11
North St. Joseph	32.50
Pleasant View	50.88
Rockingham	201.70
Shelby County	102.37
Smith Fork	574.98
South St. Joseph	46.05
Wakenda	232.63
Unallocated	11.00

43. Middle Missouri

Adrian	33.56
Centerview	12.00
Deepwater	31.00
Happy Hill	41.37
Kansas City	111.50
Mineral Creek	231.09
Osceola	1.91
Prairie View	30.50
South Warrensburg	448.50
Spring Branch	29.00
Turkey Creek	91.50
Warrensburg	161.27
Unallocated	93.91

44. Southern Missouri & Arkansas

Austin	
Broadwater	146.25
Cabool	131.83
Carthage	77.45
Cedar County	
Fairview	81.40
Jasper	13.60
Nevada	30.00
New Hope	13.00
Oak Grove	9.00
Peace Valley	17.00
Pilot Knob	
Shoal Creek	38.25
Springdale	45.00
Unallocated	97.00

45. Merged with 44.

46. Northern California

Butte Valley	131.51
Chico	76.20
Chowchilla	52.09
Codora	
Elk Creek	27.88
Empire	698.54
Figarden	64.71
Fresno	130.26
Laton	207.88
Lindsay	771.86
Live Oak	130.14
McFarland	355.82
Modesto	328.38
Oakland	434.65
Patterson	88.61
Raisin	39.00
Reedley	229.45
Rio Linda	9.64
Waterford	126.99
Unallocated	177.06

47. Southern California & Arizona

Covina	855.19
East San Diego	233.45
Glendale	322.32
Glendora	430.58
Hemet	161.18
Hermosa Beach	471.26
Inglewood	199.83
La Verne	3,386.90
Long Beach	1,239.71
Los Angeles (Belvedere)	195.60
Los Angeles (Calvary)	663.50
Los Angeles (First)	885.11
Pasadena	3,005.90
Phoenix Mission	137.50
Pomona	244.42
Santa Ana	151.87
San Bernardino	149.07
Unallocated	490.92

48. Idaho & Western Montana

Boise Valley	203.18
Bowmont	50.86
Clearwater	4.55
Emmett	118.00
Fruitland	383.80
Kalispell	17.00
Moscow	32.07
Nampa	289.27
Nezperce	273.67
Payette Valley	113.20
Twin Falls	166.60
Weiser	71.07
Winchester	208.11
Unallocated	118.00

49. Oregon

Albany	38.38
Ashland	136.64
Bandon	15.00
Grants Pass	161.50
Mabel	177.05
Myrtle Point	79.40
Newberg	25.68
Portland	182.13
Weston	38.25
Unallocated	44.85

50. Washington

Forest Center	28.90
Greenwood	11.37
Mt. Hope	61.21
North Spokane	92.37
Okanogan Valley	79.95
Olympia	125.16
Omak	135.89
Outlook	108.69
Richland Valley	32.14
Seattle	201.01
Spokane, First	20.14
Stiverson	
Sunnyside	276.80
Tacoma	104.70
Wenatchee	8.50
Wenatchee Valley	813.27
Whitestone	105.55
Yakima	393.38
Unallocated	69.24

Congregations Giving $5 or More Per Member

Freeburg, Northeastern Ohio	61	$20.22
Maxwell, Middle Iowa	11	13.92*
Waynesboro, Southern Pennsylvania	547	12.80*
Mabel, Oregon	15	11.80
Cedar, Middle Iowa	18	11.61
Pasadena, Southern California	265	11.34
Monitor, Southwestern Kansas	129	10.82*
Turkey Creek, Middle Missouri	9	10.17
Middletown, Southern Indiana	36	9.62*
Sugar Ridge, Northwestern Ohio	2	9.50
Pleasant View, Middle Maryland	132	9.16
South Warrensburg, Middle Missouri	49	9.15*
Indian Creek, Eastern Pennsylvania	188	8.83
First Irricana, Canada	129	8.82*
Royersford, S. E. Pa., N. J. & N. Y.	112	8.81
Mingo, Eastern Pennsylvania	105	8.59
Palmyra, Eastern Pennsylvania	315	8.26
Second Irricana, Canada	51	8.15*
Bloom, Southwestern Kansas	12	7.54
Paradise Prairie, Okla., P. of T. & N. M.	20	7.50*
Maiden Creek, Eastern Pennsylvania	72	7.35*
Pipe Creek, Middle Indiana	105	7.35
Long Beach, Southern California	169	7.34
Butte Valley, Northern California	18	7.31
Cedar Rapids, Middle Iowa	83	7.14*
Meadow Branch, Eastern Maryland	300	6.87
Dallas Center, Middle Iowa	176	6.81
So. Waterloo, No. Ia., Minn. & S. D.	531	6.80
Rock Run, Northern Indiana	106	6.78
Clear Creek, Middle Indiana	91	6.38
Mechanicsburg, Southern Pennsylvania	67	6.35
Parkerford, S. E. Pa., N. J. & N. Y.	105	6.32
Curlew, No. Ia., Minn. & S. D.	49	6.31
New Paris, Northern Indiana	136	6.05
First Los Angeles, Southern California	147	6.02
Ephrata, Eastern Pennsylvania	300	6.00

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GENERAL STATISTICS OF GIVING FOR YEAR ENDED FEBRUARY 29, 1928

Summary of Giving by Districts, Quotas and Classification of Membership as to Giving

District	Total Credit	Quotas Assigned	Total Membership	Members Giving per Capita				
				Nothing	Under $1.00	$1.00 to $3.49	$3.50 to $5.00	$5.00 or More
1. Florida and Georgia	$ 911.87	$ 3,500	495	7	207	254	27	
2. No. & So. Carolina	207.53	1,500	1,029	365	664			
3. Tennessee	1,115.76	4,000	2,018	478	1,226	314		
4. Southern Virginia	2,210.33	7,000	3,605	267	2,676	577		85
5. First Virginia	4,800.65	8,000	4,048	188	1,535	2,325		
6. Eastern Virginia	1,527.53	4,000	1,849	177	885	787		
7. Second Virginia	8,033.83	13,000	4,790	256	2,276	1,119	998	141
8. Northern Virginia	7,463.19	15,000	5,240		2,682	2,272	286	
9. First West Virginia	3,247.19	5,000	2,477		924	1,553		
10. Second West Virginia	406.37	800	472		327	145		
11. Eastern Maryland	9,195.14	12,000	3.493	31	432	2,161	569	300
12. Middle Maryland	6,057.44	9,000	3,209		350	2,727		132
13. Western Maryland	802.11	1,000	684		394	290		
14. S. E. Pa., N. J. & N. Y.	9,049.71	12,000	3,096		355	1,840	684	217
15. Middle Pennsylvania	13,800.09	21,000	8,533	61	3,199	4,685	588	
16. Western Pennsylvania	13,163.13	20,000	10,423	217	4,814	5,392		
17. Eastern Pennsylvania	28,915.85	32,000	7,916		168	4,759	901	2,088
18. Southern Pennsylvania	14,323.12	18,500	5,016		1,734	2,251	342	689
19. Northeastern Ohio	11,203.73	16,000	4,144		453	2,682	715	294
20. Northwestern Ohio	6,430.30	9,000	2,406		49	1,629	382	346
21. Southern Ohio	16,582.44	23,000	8,639	126	2,791	4,779	543	400
22. Michigan	2,422.36	6,000	1,940	12	1,167	537	166	58
23. Northern Indiana	14,638.13	19,000	5,704	23	571	3,445	1,342	323
24. Middle Indiana	15,304.20	21,000	5,524	170	975	2,472	795	1,112
25. Southern Indiana	6,445.94	9,000	2,863		745	1,544	538	36
26. Western Canada	1,867.48	1,200	437	33		224		180
27. No. Dakota & E. Montana	975.00	2,000	814	187	79	548		
28. No. Illinois & Wisconsin	11,043.84	20,000	3,975	44	1,218	983	1,483	247
29. Southern Illinois	4,428.44	9,000	2,489	44	777	1,451	192	25
30. No. Ia., Minn. & S. D.	7,484.69	12,000	2,228	15	477	701	455	580
31. Middle Iowa	4,597.14	7,500	1,463	41	255	668		499
32. Southern Iowa	2,232.93	3,000	943		237	473	70	163
33. Nebraska	2,423.64	4,000	1,480	117	583	633	147	
34. Northeastern Kansas	3,938.35	7,000	2,048		596	1,171	281	
35. Northwestern Kansas	948.16	2,000	884		673	211		
36. Southeastern Kansas	979.07	2,000	702		234	414	54	
37. Southwestern Kansas	4,393.42	6,000	1,829		547	1,141		141
38. Eastern Colorado	1,808.58	3,200	1,237	14	669	432	122	
39. Western Colorado	315.97	600	303	40	164	99		
40. Okla., P. T. & N. Mex.	1,305.28	2,000	873	165	386	202	100	20
41. Texas & Louisiana	1,148.77	1,300	494	6	185	55	248	
42. Northern Missouri	1,394.37	3,500	1,099	5	699	395		
43. Middle Missouri	1,317.11	2,000	735		329	348		58
44. So. Missouri & Arkansas*	699.78	1,700	659	49	398	205	7	
46. Northern California	4,080.67	6,500	1,842	9	477	1,107	215	34
47. So. Calif. & Ariz.	13,224.31	12,500	2,715			1,134	207	1,374
48. Idaho & W. Montana	2,049.38	3,000	959		93	744	122	
49. Oregon	898.88	1,500	457		175	267		15
50. Washington	2,668.27	4,500	1,557	5	550	974	28	
Unallocated	4,330.37							
	$278,811.84	$408,300	131,835	3,152	41,400	65,119	12,607	9,557

* Includes merger of No. 45—First Ark. & S. E. Mo.

Summary Classification of Comparative Giving

Congregations						
Giving	Number	Membership	%	Gave	%	Average in Each Group
$5.00 or more	60	9,557	7.2	$ 66,803.51	24.	$6.99
$3.49 to $5.00	78	12,607	9.6	51,103.27	18.3	4.05
$1.00 to $3.49	450	65,119	49.4	128,335.93	46.	1.98
Under $1.00	361	41,400	31.4	20,438.65	7.3	.49
Nothing	93	3,152	2.4			
	1,042	131,835	100.%	$266,681.36		
Unallocated general and District giving				12,130.48	4.4	
				$278,811.84	100.%	

Giving per Capita by District and General Classification of Giving

District	Average Cont. per member, 1921	Average Cont. per member, 1922	Average Cont. per member, 1923	Average Cont. per member, 1924	Average Cont. per member, 1925	Average Cont. per member, 1926	Average Cont. per member, 1927	Total No. Churches	Churches Contributing			
									Nothing	Under $25	$25 to $200	Over $200
1. Florida and Georgia	$	$	$	$	$5.82	$3.87	$1.86	9	1	4	3	1
2. N. & S. Carolina					.35	.05	.20	19	9	8	2	
3. Tennessee	.71	.58	.94	.39	.61	.50	.55	31	12	7	12	
4. Southern Virginia	.54	.51	.68	.34	.48	.29	.61	26	5	9	8	4
5. First Virginia	1.34	1.66	1.31	1.17	1.41	.78	1.18	30	6	6	13	5
6. Eastern Virginia	1.38	1.24	1.18	1.34	1.13	.89	.83	18	5	5	5	3
7. Second Virginia	1.63	2.01	1.90	2.41	2.11	1.64	1.68	21	2	4	6	9
8. Northern Virginia	1.12	1.30	1.38	1.56	1.38	1.34	1.42	21		4	10	7
9. First West Virginia	.90	.71	1.01	1.18	.89	1.01	1.31	18		2	13	3
10. Second West Virginia	.34	.08	3.42	.27	.21	.31	.86	10		7	3	
11. Eastern Maryland	2.58	2.92	3.19	3.16	2.83	2.73	2.63	20	1	1	7	11
12. Middle Maryland	2.43	2.31	2.53	2.33	1.98	2.09	1.89	11		2	1	8
13. Western Maryland	.62	.30	1.02	1.31	.83	.78	1.17	8		4	2	2
14. S. E. Pa., N. J. & N. Y.	2.63	2.13	3.94	2.58	2.94	2.52	2.94	18		2	4	12
15. Middle Pennsylvania	2.30	1.73	2.18	2.01	2.02	1.84	1.62	39	1	6	15	17
16. Western Pennsylvania	1.83	1.53	1.93	1.75	1.95	1.41	1.26	55	6	6	27	16
17. Eastern Pennsylvania	2.64	2.56	3.23	3.12	3.74	4.04	3.65	38			4	34
18. Southern Pennsylvania	1.83	1.82	2.42	2.21	2.42	2.17	2.86	26			12	14
19. Northeastern Ohio	2.86	3.19	2.99	3.58	3.15	3.32	2.70	34		4	11	19
20. Northwestern Ohio	3.85	3.13	3.83	2.98	3.16	2.52	2.67	28		3	15	10
21. Southern Ohio	2.21	2.28	2.19	2.01	1.91	1.88	1.92	52	5	6	13	28
22. Michigan	2.28	.09	2.15	2.68	2.40	2.05	1.24	28	1	7	17	3
23. Northern Indiana	2.41	2.41	2.74	2.61	3.15	2.88	2.57	49	1	4	20	24
24. Middle Indiana	2.72	2.35	2.93	3.08	3.41	2.68	2.77	43	2	6	19	16
25. Southern Indiana	2.35	1.67	2.09	1.78	2.01	1.70	2.25	27		6	10	11
26. Western Canada	1.92	3.80	1.52	1.90	2.96	1.50	4.27	7	1		4	2
27. No. Dak. & E. Mont.	.69	.91	1.43	1.21	1.36	1.31	1.20	21	8	3	10	
28. No. Ill. & Wis.	4.34	4.97	5.34	4.27	4.48	3.59	2.78	30	3	2	15	10
29. Southern Illinois	2.75	2.59	2.76	2.10	2.38	2.09	1.78	26	1	6	12	7
30. No. Ia., Minn. & So. Dak.	4.02	3.68	4.94	4.08	4.42	3.61	3.36	20	1	2	11	6
31. Middle Iowa	3.99	2.84	4.17	3.18	4.67	3.06	3.14	19	2		12	5
32. Southern Iowa	3.05	3.98	2.78	3.23	2.76	3.02	2.37	12		1	9	2
33. Nebraska	2.64	2.63	2.23	1.70	1.98	3.76	1.63	18	3	3	9	3
34. Northeastern Kansas	3.02	1.89	2.74	2.66	2.40	2.40	1.92	24		3	16	5
35. Northwestern Kansas	2.50	1.09	1.41	1.40	1.32	.84	1.07	7		1	5	1
36. Southeastern Kansas	2.15	2.17	1.67	1.75	1.44	2.66	1.39	12		4	7	1
37. Southwestern Kansas	2.92	3.31	2.30	3.11	2.74	2.31	2.40	17		1	11	5
38. Eastern Colorado					1.91	1.69	1.46	10	1		7	2
39. Western Colorado	.53	.52	.47	1.42	1.29	.91	1.04	4	2		2	
40. Okla., P. Tex. & N. Mex.	1.79	1.17	1.37	1.66	1.60	1.22	1.51	18	7	5	3	3
41. Texas & Louisiana	.80	.82	1.96	2.42	3.12	2.72	2.33	6	1		2	3
42. Northern Missouri	2.33	1.82	1.59	2.17	1.80	1.54	1.27	10	1		6	3
43. Middle Missouri	2.00	2.30	2.03	1.74	1.54	1.95	1.79	12		2	8	2
44. S. W. Mo. & N. W. Ark.	.90	.71	1.06	2.23	.87	.67	*1.06	14	3	4	7	
45. First Ark. & S. E. Mo.	.65	.94	2.28	2.64	2.82	.89						
46. Northern California	2.42	1.96	2.67	2.06	2.29	2.19	2.22	19	1	1	10	7
47. So. California & Arizona	5.90	4.23	5.49	3.66	5.13	3.51	4.87	17			6	11
48. Idaho & M. Montana	2.19	1.67	2.20	2.61	2.76	2.50	2.14	13		2	6	5
49. Oregon	2.92	2.61	3.56	2.53	1.77	1.42	1.97	9		1	8	
50. Washington	1.66	1.61	2.60	1.92	1.97	1.58	1.71	18	1	3	10	4
Average of entire Brotherhood	$2.35	$2.19	$2.50	$2.35	$2.44	$2.15	$2.11	1,042	97	157	449	344
Average necessary to raise Budget	4.78	2.99	3.85	2.78	3.10	2.94	3.09					

*Includes District No. 45 in merger as Southern Missouri and Arkansas.

THE CHINA MISSION

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It was not a year marked by an endeavor to expand the work. No new out-stations were opened and few new villages were reached by traveling evangelists. The emphasis was put on developing the work at the places already opened. It was felt to be unwise to attempt to reach other villages until better follow-up work can be done. It is urgent now that local congregations be organized at some places and local Christians trained to take the main responsibility for running them. When they are established new work can be started.

The educational work did not attempt any expansion of its activities during the year. A few elementary schools, located away from the main stations, were closed because they were much below standard and lacked a sufficient church-supporting constituency to justify their continuance. The schools at the main stations attempted to improve the standard of their work.

The medical work was carried on much after the plan of previous years. No epidemic of sickness visited our field during the year, nor did the fighting near the border of our territory bring many soldiers to the hospital. The Chinese armies rely much less on mission hospitals now than in former years. The medical work served its useful purpose by healing the sick of the common diseases of mankind. This is certainly a work of mercy in a land such as China.

In conclusion it may be said that the results of the year's work are fairly satisfactory, considering the obstacles which had to be met. Certainly, not all was accomplished that we should like to have seen done ,and probably our failures are more painful to the Lord than to us. Let us all pray that in future years we may rely more fully on the direction and strength of him whose will we are trying to do, and gather in greater fruits for the kingdom.

FINANCIAL DEPARTMENT

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Kansas—$60.50

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Ozawkie,	40.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Fredonia,	20.50

Minnesota—$7.76

S. S.: Minneapolis,	7.76

Missouri—$18.00

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Deepwater,	9.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Oak Grove,	9.00

Nebraska—$10.95

Cong.: First Omaha,	10.95

North Carolina—$16.32

Cong.: Pleasant Grove,	16.32

Ohio—$62.01

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Zion,	25.00
So. Dist., Cong.: John T. Moll (Constance), $5; S. S.: Cincinnati, $32.01,	37.01

Total for the month,	$ 400.02
Totad previously reported,	515.34
Total for the year,	$ 915.36

CONFERENCE BUDGET DESIGNATED

Colorado—$24.00

E. Dist., S. S.: Colorado Springs,	$ 24.00

Idaho—$3.10

S. S.: Boise Valley,	3.10

North Dakota—$17.61

Congs. of North Dakota and Eastern Montana,	17.61

Total for the month,	$ 44.71
Total previously reported,	50.00
Total for the year,	$ 94.71

MARCH WORLD SERVICE

California—$100.00

No. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. N. E. Welty (Patterson),	$ 100.00

Colorado—$100.00

E. Dist., Cong.: B. F. Stauffer (Rocky Ford),	100.00

Maryland—$100.00

E. Dist., Cong.: W. B. Yount & Wife (Meadow Branch),	100.00

Ohio—$100.00

So. Dist., Cong.: Martha Minnich Estate (Painter Creek),	100.00

Pennsylvania—$275.00

E. Dist., Cong.: J. M. Neff (Ephrata), ...	100.00
So. Dist., Cong.: H. B. Rinehart (Waynesboro), $25; Henry Rinehart (Waynesboro), $100; M. E. Sollenberger (Waynesboro), $50,	175.00

Total for the month,	$ 675.00
Total previously reported,	660.00
Total for the year,	$ 1,335.00

NOTES FROM OUR FOREIGN FIELDS

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ing was found drowned in the compound well, the water carriers having left the gate to the wall surrounding the well open.

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Mr. Oberholtzer in returning to Liao, with others, spent several days in difficult traveling, and satisfactory food was hard to obtain. As a result he developed a severe case of gastritis, but after two weeks of dieting and rest in bed he has recovered.

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A class of advanced pupils in the Girls' School is now keeping the school food accounts as part of its class work. It is also busy making the native breads and cakes in the Domestic Science Class.

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The number of patients in the hospital continues large, even though the busy season is now beginning for those living in the villages. Mrs. Tu, a patient who recently returned to her home, pleased with the results of her operation, has received many friends and other callers, showing them her scar, and telling them the hospital is a good place to go. "It is just like a big meeting place every day."

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Dr. Coffman and Mr. Ma report over 250 new patients during the past month, and that they were able to persuade five to go in to the hospital at Liao.

AFRICA

Garkida—March

This month begins a new chapter in the story of Jesus at work among our people here in Garkida. A young married woman, about sixteen years of age, has pledged her life and loyalty to Jesus. She has done this with a whole-heartedness and conviction that seems genuine indeed. Matagi's decision has brought much hope and joy, not only to the missionaries, but just as much (and maybe more) to our Christian boys, who long for the opportunity to establish Christian homes, and who therefore rejoice in every step the Bura girls and women take towards Jesus Christ. Will you not pray for Matagi in her new life? Will you also pray that ere long there shall be many Bura girls and women to lay hold of their privilege in Christ?

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Along with Matagi twenty schoolboys and one young married man pledged themselves to follow their Savior. It makes our hearts rejoice to see this marvelous working of the Spirit in the lives of the schoolboys. Other married men seemed near the kingdom, but they find it difficult to break with heathen customs by which they have been bound so long. May Christ have the victory in their hearts and ours.

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The two villages near the mission compound have followed the good example of the Wiaku village, and have built their own churchhouses. They were put up entirely by their own hands at their expense. May God give them the blessing. With these shelters women's classes and church services can be held under the scorching African sun and during the rains.

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These days we occasionally hear distant thunder, and a little rain has come to refresh us. The Bura theory is that the early thundering and rains are as a warning for the men to reroof their houses and for the women to redo the floors of their houses. One likes to feel that they give God some place in their system of thinking.

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This is the fishing season for the Bura women. Almost every day a group of them go to the river in the early forenoon and return in time to prepare the evening meal. We were off to watch them one Saturday afternoon. There must have been two hundred in all, including women, children, and a few men and boys. To each net there were two women. One woman held a small half gourd in one hand for scooping the two or three fish out of the net each time. The other woman had a gourd, with but a small opening, balanced on her head for storing the caught fish. Their method of catching fish made me think of the devil's method of catching folks. First, the fish were entrapped in the large net, then scooped up with the half gourd and swung back and forth until they were senseless. In this helpless condition they were put into the gourd with the small opening, without water and exposed to the hot sun. It meant sure death. The devil first catches his victims on some remote issue. He keeps up his deception until they are senseless before he securely binds them, from which there is no way of escape except by the grace of God.

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The doctors with their busy medical and building program are finding time to make weekly medical tours to three villages north and east of Garkida. This reaches a group who are not quite sick enough to be carried to the hospital and yet may be too sick to make the trip to a place about which they are a bit suspicious as yet. Many vaccinations for smallpox are being done on these tours, as well as at the little hospital here. There were four more obstetrical cases this month. There was one case of spinal meningitis for which we did not have the necessary treatment. We are helpless in the face of this disease except by the grace of God. May he lay it upon the hearts of some of our brothers and sisters in America to supply the necessary refrigeration equipment for preserving the serum used in combating this deadly disease.

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CAPACITIES FOR CHRISTIANITY IN OTHER RACES

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"There are already evidences," said Dr. Diffendorfer, of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in an address in New York City, "that this system is beginning to break up due to the fact that men and women in India, who under Hinduism are destined to be outcastes from India's society, have come to new self-respect and through education and personal experience of Jesus Christ have come to take places of leadership and responsibility in India's modern life. It is frankly acknowledged by India's modern leaders, both Christian and non-Christian, that one of the greatest contributions that Christianity has made to India has been to set forth the possibilities in India's people regardless of the caste or social class to which they belong.

"Numerous evidences were also found in China to show that the Chinese have in them the capacity to develop intellectually, morally, and spiritually equal to any other people in the world. This has been demonstrated time and again in the experience which the Christian leaders have undergone in the anti-Christian persecution of recent months. Chinese teachers, doctors and preachers have shown that they propose to defend 'even unto death' the new meaning to human life which Jesus Christ is revealing to them.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1928. As of May 31, 1928, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 28, 1928, stands as follows:

Cash received since March 1, 1928	$ 33,233.93

(The 1928 Budget of $389,000.00 is 8.5% raised, whereas it should be 25%.)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on May 31, 1928:

Income since March 1, 1928	$ 40,988.40
Income same period last year	51,103.10
Expense since March 1, 1928	67,843.61
Expense same period last year	84,683.13
Mission deficit May 31, 1928	124,259.85
Mission deficit April 30, 1928	115,055.53
Increase in deficit for May, 1928	9,204.32

Tract Distribution: During the month of April the Board sent out 2,016 doctrinal tracts.

April Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during April:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

Arizona—$13.25	
S. S.: Glendale,	$ 13.25
California—$133.25	
No. Dist., Cong.: Modesto, $10.31; Waterford, $3.30; S. S.: Modesto, $20.45,	34.06
So. Dist., Cong.: Ada L. Winslow (Belvedere, L. A.), $40; A Sister (First Los Angeles), $30; S. S.: First San Bernardino, $17.61; Indv.: J. H. Huff, $11.68,	99.19
Canda—$45.50	
Cong.: Bow Valley, $35.50; Roy M. Brant (Irricana), $10,	45.50
China—$15.00	
Indv.: Ruth F. Ulery,	15.00
Colorado—$.50	
E. Dist., Cong.: I. C. Snavely (M. N.) (Haxtun),	.50
Florida—$31.84	
Cong.: Seneca, $2.05; S. S.: Sebring, $26.54; Seneca, $3.25,	31.84
Illinois—$145.01	
No. Dist., Cong.: Bethel, $4.62; Franklin Grove, $8; Rockford, $8.42; Mrs. W. W. Lehman (Dixon), $4; O. D. Barnhart, (Elgin), $50; S. S.: Batavia, $4.25; Franklin Grove, $7.01; Mt. Morris College Y. W. C. A. (Mt. Morris), $12.50,	98.80
So. Dist., Cong.: Girard, $17.82; Oak Grove, $4; Virden, $6.29; H. W. Strickler (Loraine), $2.50; Dale Kenyon (Oak Grove), $3; S. S.: South Fulton (Astoria), $7.60; Indv.: No. 105219, $5,	46.21
Indiana—$153.10	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Burnettsville, $9.61; West Manchester, $35.60; West Marion, $14; S. S.: "Good Cheer" Class, Spring Creek, $15,	74.11
No. Dist., Cong.: Blue River, $6.71; Rosette Nickler (Elkhart), $4,	10.71
So. Dist., Cong.: Anderson, $54.78; Nellie B. Burris (Howard), $1; Paul D. Stoner (Mt. Pleasant), $5; J. A. Miller (M. N.) (Muncie), $2.50; Walter Barnhart (Pyrmont), $4; Indv.: B. L. Layman, $1,	68.28
Iowa—$51.73	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: C. Z. Reitz (Maxwell), $15; J. B. Spurgeon (Panther Creek), $25; S. S.: Bagley, $1.46; Pleasant View (Cedar), $3.59; "Rose Bud" Class, Panther Creek, $1.85,	46.90
No. Dist., Cong.: Greene,	4.83
Kansas—$149.49	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: W. A. Kinzie (M. N.) (Navarre), $.50; Ralph W. Quakenbush (M. N.) (Ottawa), $1; Y. P. D.: Richland Center, $3.20,	4.70
N. W. Dist., Cong.: No. Solomon, $15.54; Quinter, $13.35,	28.79
S. E. Dist., Cong.: A. A. Patteson (Grenola), $5; Lizzie Shank (Osage), $10; Indv.: J. M. Stutsman, $1,	16.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: J. J. Yoder & Wife (McPherson),	100.00
Louisiana—$5.00	
S. S.: Roanoke,	5.00
Maryland—$100.01	
E. Dist., Cong.: Green Hill, $2; Pipe Creek, $11.64; Emma Neuhauser (Long Green Valley), $5; S. S.: Bethany, $7.28; Pleasant Hill (Bush Creek), $2.50; Blue Ridge College (Pipe Creek), $21.59,	50.01
Mid. Dist., Cong.: A Member (Manor),	45.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek,	5.00
Michigan—$16.44	
Cong.: Battle Creek, $6; Zion, $2.23; S. S.: Grand Rapids, $8.21,	16.44
Minnesota—$17.39	
Cong.: Nemadji, $15.85; S. S.: Guthrie, $1.54,	17.39
Missouri—$5.60	
So. Dist., S. S.: Carthage,	5.60
Nebraska—$25.08	
Cong.: Enders, $9.05; Octavia, $9; So. Beatrice, $7.03,	25.08
North Dakota—$15.35	
Cong.: Willow Grove (Englevale),	15.35
Ohio—$510.92	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Olivet, $133.09; Richland, $55.78; S. S.: Third St., Ashland City, $7.32; Woodworth, $5.22,	201.41
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Defiance, $67.26; Dupont, $1.30; Pleasant View, $32; Sugar Creek, $7.35; David Byerly (M. N.) (Lima), $.50; Nancy Kaylor (Logan), $10; Geo. Mohr & Wife (Logan), $5; S. S.: No. Poplar Ridge, $7.82,	131.23
So. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $4.50; Congregations of District, $38.68; John T. Moll (Constance), $5; S. S.: Bear Creek, $15.52; Castine, $7.35; Greenville, $21.11; Lower Miami, $33.78; Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater), $7.19; Pitsburg, $34.15; Union City, $11,	178.28
Pennsylvania—$1,304.71	
E. Dist., Cong.: Hatfield, $95; Lititz, $10; Mechanic Grove, $20; Mingo, $25; Unknown Donor (Elizabethtown), $1; Two Sisters (Indian Creek), $5; No. 105411 (Richland), $30; S. S.: "Gleaners" Class, Akron, $10; So. Annville (Annville), $22.42; E. Fairview, $27.25; Ephrata, $38.84; Fredericksburg, $18; Harrisburg, $48; Heidleberg, $7.94; Indian Creek, $23.94; Lititz, $77.69; Skippack (Mingo), $76.87; Mountville, $21.23; Myerstown, $7.50; Hummelstown (Spring Creek), $5.50; C. W. S.: Chiques, $22.80; Mingo, $50,	643.98
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Dry Valley, $78.53; Lewistown, $74.11; New Enterprise, $11.21; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek), $10; E. M. Detwiler (M. N.) (Everett), $1; Mrs. L. R. Helsel) Hollidaysburg), $1; Serena M. Det- (Spring Run), $10; S. S.: Rockhill (Aughwick), $6.20; Sugar Run (Aughwick), $2.85; Maitland (Dry Valley), $5; Curryville (Woodbury), $7.81; Yellow Creek, $7.13; Women's Missionary Society, Altoona, First, $6,	220.84

S. E. Dist., Cong.: Germantown (Philadelphia), $103.91; Chas. H. Miller (Ambler), $4; S. S.: Norristown, $12.91; Girl Reserves & Bluets Societies, Calvary (Philadelphia), $12.92,	133.74
So. Dist., Cong.: Carlisle, $20; Mrs. Mary E. Bashore (Lost Creek), $1; Mary Bixler (York), $4; S. S.: Brandt's, (Back Creek), $4.79; Pleasant Hill (Codorus), $9.61; Hanover, $4.35; Melrose (Upper Codorus), $4.84,	48.59
W. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Hill (Middle Creek), $7; Mt. Union, $8; Roxbury, $220.56; M. W. Reed (Mt. Union), $10; W. J. Hamilton (Rockford), $12,	257.56
South Dakota—$11.00	
S. S.: Willow Creek,	11.00
Virginia—$202.95	
E. Dist., Cong.: Midland, $9.41; Mt. Hermon (Midland) $5; Mt. Carmel, $5.27; S. S.: Valley, $16.34,	36.02
First Dist., Cong.: Crab Orchard, $20.79; Mrs. Sallie E. Pursley (Mt. Joy), $4.50,	25.29
No. Dist., S. S.: Mill Creek,	66.28
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Sangerville, $43.96; Geo. R. Robertson (Chimney Run), $2; S. S.: Bridgewater, $12.26; Sangerville, $17.14,	75.36
Washington—$6.89	
S. S.: Whitestone,	6.89
West Virginia—$41.55	
First Dist., Cong.: Beaver Run, $34.40; Cora E. Tusing (Bean Settlement), $1; Maude Snyder (Capon Chapel), $1; A. M. Youngblood (Capon Chapel), $2.50; S. S.: White Pine, $2.65,	41.55
Wisconsin—$7.25	
S. S.: Rice Lake, $6.25; Indv.: Elizabeth Clark, $1,	7.25
Aid Societies of the Brotherhood,	14.25
Total for the month,	$ 3,023.06
Total previously reported,	4,300.28
Total for the year,	$ 7,323.34

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND—1927-28

Maryland—$89.50	
E. Dist., Student Volunteers of Blue Ridge College,	$ 89.50
Virginia—$98.82	
Sec. Dist., Student Volunteers of Bridgewater College,	98.82
Total for the month,	$ 188.32
Total previously reported,	83.00
Total for the year,	$ 271.32

AID SOCIETY MISSION FUND—1927

Indiana—$347.45	
No. Dist., Aid Societies,	$ 347.45
Kansas—$93.00	
S. E. Dist., Aid Societies,	80.00
S. W. Dist., Aid Societies,	13.00
Maryland—$71.00	
E. Dist., Aid Societies	71.00
New Mexico—$15.00	
Aid Soc.: Clovis,	15.00
North Dakota—$118.00	
Aid Societies of North Dakota and Eastern Montana,	118.00
Ohio—$141.27	
N. W. Dist., Aid Societies,	48.77
So. Dist., Aid Societies,	92.50
Oklahoma—$5.00	
Aid Soc.: Bartlesville,	5.00
Tennessee—$7.40	
Aid Soc.: Mountain Valley,	7.40
Total for the month,	$ 798.12
Total previously reported,	593.10
Total for the year,	$ 1,391.22

HOME MISSIONS

Illinois—$18.59	
No. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Rockford,	$ 18.59
Indiana—$10.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Esta Lannerd (Nettle Creek),	10.00
Nebraska—$4.30	
Cong.: Afton,	4.30
Ohio—$170.00	
So. Dist., Aid Societies,	170.00
Virginia—$5.00	
First Dist., Cong.: N. E. Linticum (Crab Orchard),	5.00
Total for the month,	$ 207.89
Total previously reported,	105.33
Total for the year,	$ 313.22

HOME MISSIONS SHARE PLAN

Illinois—$25.00	
No. Dist., Aid Soc.: Franklin Grove,	$ 25.00
Maryland—$25.00	
Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Hagerstown,	25.00
Total for the month,	$ 50.00
Total previously reported,	50.00
Total for the year,	$ 100.00

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

Idaho—$5.00	
Aid Soc.: Emmett,	$ 5.00
Iowa—$16.45	
No. Dist., Cong.: Waterloo City (South Waterloo),	16.45
North Dakota—$40.00	
Cong.: Mrs. Bruce Williams (Egeland),	40.00
Ohio—$25.00	
So. Dist., Indv.: Annie May Calvert,	25.00
Pennsylvania—$9.23	
E. Dist., Cong.: Lancaster,	9.23
Total for the month,	$ 95.68
Total previously reported,	8.60
Total for the year,	$ 104.28

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Idaho—$5.00	
Cong.: Fred Parker (Payette Valley),	$ 5.00
Indiana—$30.25	
No. Dist., Cong.: North Winona,	25.00
So. Dist., Indv.: J. B. Hines,	5.25
Nebraska—$8.57	
Cong.: Lincoln,	8.57
Ohio—$6.60	
So. Dist., S. S.: Hamilton, $2.50; Middletown, $4.10,	6.60
Pennsylvania—$147.00	
W. Dist., Cong.: Morrellville,	147.00
Virgina—$75.00	
Sec. Dist., Cong.: E. S. Ringgold & Wife (Beaver Creek),	75.00
Total for the month,	$ 272.42
Total previously reported,	120.50
Total for the year,	$ 392.92

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1927

Iowa—$52.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: Juniors & Primaries, Ivester,	$ 52.00
Ohio—$15.50	
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, Fostoria,	14.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior & Intermediate Depts., Pitsburg,	1.50
Tennessee—$2.50	
S. S.: Pleasant Valley,	2.50
Virginia—$19.25	
No. Dist., S. S.: Junior Girls, Mill Creek,	15.00
Sec. Dist., S. S.: Junior Class, Middle River,	4.25
Total for the month,	$ 89.25
Total previously reported,	146.20
Total for the year,	$ 235.45

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1928

Illinois—$5.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, First Chicago,	$ 5.00
Kansas—$2.16	
N. W. Dist., S. S.: " Berean " Class, North Solomon,	2.16
Maryland—$32.45	
E. Dist., S. S.: Children of Long Green Valley,	32.45
New Mexico—$19.99	
S. S.: Clovis,	19.99
Total for the month,	$ 59.50
Total previously reported,	25.29
Total for the year,	$ 84.89

B. Y. P. D. FUND—1927

Oregon—$15.00	
S. S.: " Keystone Class," Grants Pass,	$ 15.00
Pennsylvania—$20.00	
Mid. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Huntingdon,	20.00
Total for the month,	$ 35.00
Total previously reported,	68.35
Total for the year,	$ 103.35

B. Y. P. D. FUND—1928

Idaho—$7.40	
B. Y. P. D.: Boise Valley,	$ 7.40
Illinois—$4.95	
No. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Shannon,	4.95
Indiana—$26.30	
No. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Elkhart Ctiy,	26.30
Iowa—$70.53	
Mid. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Dallas Center, $5; Panther Creek, $56.14,	61.14
No. Dist., S. S.: Greene,	9.39
Nebraska—$6.00	
C. W. S.: Lincoln,	6.00
New Mexico—$9.25	
B. Y. P. D.: Clovis,	9.25
Ohio—$5.00	
N. E. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Center,	5.00
Oregon—$12.50	
B. Y. P. D.: Myrtle Point,	12.50
Pennsylvania—$27.02	
Mid. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: New Enterprise,	5.81
S. E. Dist., B. Y. P. D. of Phila. Dist.,	21.21
Texas—$22.89	
B. Y. P. D.: Waka,	$ 22.89
Total for the month,	$ 191.84
Total previously reported,	50.50
Total for the year,	$ 242.34

INDIA MISSION

Pennsylvania—$260.75	
E. Dist., S. S.: Harrisburg,	$ 100.00
S. E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Amwell,	5.00
So. Dist., Cong.: York, $94.10; S. S.: York, $54.65,	148.75
W. Dist., S. S.: " Merry Maids " Class, Ridge,	7.00
Virginia—$3.75	
E. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Hermon (Midland),	3.75
Wisconsin—$2.00	
Indv.. Clayton Mock, $1; Stanley Mitchell, $1,	2.00
Total for the month,	$ 266.50
Total previously reported,	182.00
Total for the year,	$ 448.50

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Ohio—$100.00	
So. Dist., Indv.: Annie May Calvert,	$ 100.00
Virginia—$20.00	
Sec. Dist., Aid Soc.: Bridgewater,	20.00
Total for the month,	$ 120.00
Total previously reported,	45.00
Total for the year,	$ 165.00

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Kansas—$5.00	
S. W. Dist., S. S.: First Wichita,	$ 5.00
Virginia—$25.00	
No. Dist., Aid Soc.: Dayton (Cooks Creek),	25.00
Total for the month,	$ 30.00
Total previously reported,	43.25
Total for the year,	$ 73.25

INDIA SHARE PLAN

California—$50.63	
No. Dist., S. S.: " Willing & Doing " Class, Modesto,	$ 18.63
So. Dist., S. S.: " Friendship Bible Class," Pasadena,	32.00
Indiana—$75.00	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept., Delphi,	25.00
No. Dist., S. S.: " Anchor Class," North Winona,	50.00
Minnesota—$16.00	
S. S.: Elementary Classes, Monticello,	16.00
North Dakota—$55.00	
Cong.: Berthold, Kenmare, Minot, and Surrey,	55.00
Pennsylvania—$227.50	
E. Dist., Cong.: Two Sisters (Indian Creek), $50.00; S. S.: Young Ladies' Willing Workers' Class, Conestoga, $25; Hanoverdale (Big Swatara), $25,	100.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Della A. Bechtel (Huntingdon), $50; S. S.: Curryville (Woodbury), $50,00,	100.00
So. Dist., Cong.: B. F. & Ida M. Lightner (Marsh Creek),	12.50
W. Dist., S. S.: " Missionary Helpers " Class (Conemaugh),	15.00
Virginia—$12.50	
Sec. Dist., Aid Soc.: Oak Grove (Lebanon),	12.50
Total for the month,	$ 436.63
Total previously reported,	268.75
Total for the year,	$ 705.38

INDIA HOSPITALS

Virginia—$5.00	
First Dist., Cong.: A. M. & Effie J. Scaggs (Troutville),	$ 5.00
Total for the month,	$ 5.00
Total previously reported,	30.67
Total for the year,	$ 35.67

INDIA MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$91.22	
So. Dist., La Verne Cong. for L. A. Blickenstaff & Wife,	$ 91.22
Colorado—$50.00	
E. Dist., S. G. Nickey (Sterling) for Dr. Barbara M. Nickey,	50.00
Illinois—$205.00	
No. Dist., Franklin Grove Cong. for Bertha Butterbaugh,	155.00
So. Dist., Virden Aid Soc. for Leah Ruth Ebey,	50.00
Kansas—$5.00	
S. E. Dist., Osage Cong. for Mrs. E. H. Eby,	5.00
Missouri—$27.00	
Mid. Dist., So. Warrensburg Cong. for Jennie Mohler,	27.00
Pennsylvania—$161.00	
S. E. Dist., Green Tree Cong. for Nora Hollenberg,	125.00
W. Dist., Beginners Dept., Walnut Grove S. S. for Ida Shumaker,	36.00
Total for the month,	$ 539.22

Total previously reported,	1,743.41
Total for the year,	$2,282.63

CHINA MISSION

Idaho—$4.11	
S. S.: Winchester,	$ 4.11
Illinois—$52.62	
No. Dist., Cong.: Bethel, $10.04; S. S.: Columbia (Mt. Morris), $32.58; Elva Cripe's Class, Mt. Morris, $10,	52.62
Kansas—$100.00	
S. W. Dist., Garden City,	100.00
Total for the month,	$ 156.73
Total previously reported,	42.50
Total for the year,	$ 199.23

CHINA NATIVE WORKER

Missouri—$10.90	
No. Dist., S. S.: Wakenda,	$ 10.90
Ohio—$50.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: "Home Builder's Class," Salem,	50.00
Total for the month,	$ 60.90
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 60.90

CHINA SHARE PLAN

California—$24.15	
No. Dist., S. S.: "Truth Seekers" Class, McFarland,	$ 12.50
So. Dist., S. S.: Hermosa Beach,	11.65
Illinois—$20.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: Woodland,	20.00
Maryland—$50.00	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Altruistic Bible Class, Hagerstown,	50.00
Pennsylvania—$125.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: "Andrew & Philip Bible Class," Lancaster,	25.00
S. E. Dist., Y. P. S., Germantown (Philadelphia),	100.00
Total for the month,	$ 219.15
Total previously reported,	175.00
Total for the year,	$ 394.15

CHINA MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$18.75	
So. Dist., "Harmony" Class, La Verne, for Edward L. Brubaker,	$ 18.75
Illinois—$175.00	
No. Dist., Mt. Morris Cong. for Ruth Ulery, $125; H. A. Brandt & Wife (Elgin) for Martha D. Horning, $50,	175.00
Pennsylvania—$20.00	
Mid. Dist., Albright Cong. & S. S. for Olivia D. Ikenberry,	20.00
Total for the month,	$ 213.75
Total previously reported,	1,014.39
Total for the year,	$ 1,228.14

SWEDEN MISSION

Ohio—$25.00	
So. Dist., Indv.: Annie May Calvert,	$ 25.00
Total for the month,	$ 25.00
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 25.00

AFRICA MISSION

Illinois—$4.53	
No. Dist., S. S.: Hickory Grove,	$ 4.53
Nebraska—$6.00	
S. S.: "Helping Hand" Class, Bethel,	6.00
Ohio—$6.25	
S. Dist., S. S.: "Good Cheer" Class, Brookville,	6.25
Pennsylvania—$45.31	
E. Dist., Cong.: Lancaster,	45.31
Virginia—$5.00	
First Dist., Cong.: A. M. & Effie J. Scaggs, Troutville,	5.00
Total for the month,	$ 67.09
Total previously reported,	297.43
Total for the year,	$ 364.52

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

California—$56.25	
So. Dist., S. S.: "Loyal Bible Class," Pasadena, $50; C. W. S.: E. San Diego, $6.25,	$ 56.25
Iowa—$5.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: L. Clark (Ottumwa),	5.00
Maryland—$25.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: Early Bible Class, Woodberry (Baltimore),	25.00
Pennsylvania—$25.00	
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Intermediate Endeavors, Germantown,	25.00
Total for the month,	$ 111.25
Total previously reported,	150.00
Total for the year,	$ 261.25

AFRICA MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

Indiana—$7.50	
Mid. Dist., Student Vodunteers of Manchester College for Clara Harper Budget,	$ 7.50
Ohio—$92.67	
N. E. Dist., Olivet Cong. for A. D. Helser, $23.15; Olivet S. S.: for A. D. Helser, $39.58; Olivet Aid Society for Esther Mae Helser, $29.94,	92.67
Pennsylvania—$155.79	
E. Dist., Indian Creek Sunday School for Sara C. Shisler,	35.79
S. E. Dist., Coventry Cong. for H. Stover Kulp,	120.00
Virginia—$82.00	
Sec. Dist., Bridgewater Cong. for Ella Flohr,	82.00
Total for the month,	$ 337.96
Total previously reported,	1,136.62
Total for the year,	$ 1,474.58

NEAR EAST RELIEF

Pennsylvania—$33.30	
E. Dist., S. S.: Young Men's Bible Class, Lebanon (Midway), $25; Class No. 3, Midway, $5.95; Class No. 7, Midway, $2.35,	33.30
Total for the month,	$ 33.30
Total previously reported,	111.60
Total for the year,	$ 144.90

BROOKLYN ITALIAN CHURCHHOUSE

Ohio—$25.00	
So. Dist., Indv.: Annie May Calvert,	$ 25.00
Total for the month,	$ 25.00
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 25.00

CONFERENCE BUDGET

Canada—$7.44	
Cong.: Merrington, $2.90; S. S.: Merrington, $4.54,	$ 7.44
Illinois—$13.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: Lila C. Brubaker (First Chicago), $5; Elgin, $4; Ezra Flory (Elgin), $4,	13.00
Indiana—$185.18	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Frances Crill (Cart Creek), $1; S. S.: Santa Fe, $7.55,	8.55
No. Dist., Cong.: La Porte, $100; Nappanee, $25; New Paris, $51.63,	176.63
Iowa—$18.86	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Des Moines,	18.86

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AMERICA

Church of the Brethren Industrial School, Geer, Va.

Bollinger, Amsey, and Florence, 1922
Finckh, Elsie, 1925
Hersch, Orville, and Mabel, 1925
Kline, Alvin, 1926
Wampler, Nelie, 1922

Dayton, Va.

Early, H. C., and Emma, 1925

In Pastoral Service

Bowman, Price, and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
Eby, E. H., and Emma, 3503 St. Joseph Ave., St. Joseph, Mo., 1927
Fahnestock, Rev., and Mrs. S. G., 1105 Haight Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
Haney, R. A., and Irva, Lonaconing, Md., 1925
Horner, W. J., and Hazel, 3122 Ellis Ave., Fort Worth, Texas, 1920
Rohrer, Ferdie, and Pearl, Jefferson, N. C., 1927
Royer, Naomi, 1059 Michigan Ave., Portland Ore., 1927
Showalter, R. K., and Florence, Rosepine, La., 1926
White, Ralph, and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923

In Evangelistic Service

Smith, Rev., and Mrs. S. Z., Sidney, Ohio

SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö, Sweden

Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

Liao Chow, Shansi, China

Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
Senger, Nettie M., 1916
Shock, Laura J., 1916

Peking, China
% No. China Language School

Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921, and Lulu, 1919

Ping Ting Chow, Shansi, China

Crumpacker, F. H., 1908
Flory, Edna R., 1917
Metzger, Minerva, 1910
Schaeffer, Mary, 1917

Show Yang, Shansi, China

Neher, Minneva J., 1924
Ulery, Ruth F., 1926

T'ung Chow, Chihli, China

Flory, Byron M., and Nora, 1917
Heisey, Walter J., and Sue, 1917
Oberholtzer, I. E., and Elizabeth, 1916

On Furlough

Bright, J. Homer, and Minnie, Union, O., 1911
Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, Covina, Calif., 1924
Clapper, V. Grace, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1917
Cline, Mary E., Seth Low Hall, 106 Morningside Drive, New York City, 1920
Crumpacker, Anna, McPherson, Kans., 1908
Horning, Dr. D. L., and Martha, 1136 Michigan Ave., Topeka, Kans., 1919
Horning, Emma, 730 Molino Ave., Long Beach, Calif., 1908
Hutchison, Anna, Westernport, Md., 1911
Ikenberry, E. L., and Olivia, 3343 Whitney Ave., Mt. Carmel, Conn., 1922
Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater, Va., 1919
Seese, Norman A., and Anna, % General Mission Board, 1917
Smith, W. Harlan, and Frances, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1920
Sollenberger, O. C., and Hazel, % J. W. Coppock, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, 1919
Wampler, Dr. Fred J., and Rebecca, Accomac, Va., 1913
Wampler, Mrs. E. M., Rocky Ford, Colo., 1922

AFRICA

Garkida, Nigeria, West African, via Jos

Flohr, Earl W., and Ella, 1926
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The Hope of Missions in India

D. J. LICHTY

THE time was when the leaders of orthodox Hindooism, in trying to stem the tide of Christianity, devoted their energy mostly towards prejudicing the village grown-ups against the movement. Today the enemies of Christ have come to realize that, if the march of Christianity in India is to be checked, it is with the young people of the land they must reckon. It has been only of recent years that this opposition has become organized. It is the declared policy of highest Hindoo authority to duplicate every Christian church with a temple, and especially to obstruct the flow of Indian students into Christian schools. Several of their paid agents are located in our midst for this very purpose. Our Christians, and especially the young people, are taking up the challenge with doubled zeal and only good will come out of it. The Brethren mission feels only complimented, thus to have wrought so well as to make her enemies take notice. Several incidents will suffice to illustrate the existing situation.

A little more than a year ago one of our leading opponents was heard haranguing a large gathering of Hindoos at Bulsar. They were severely taken to task for allowing three successful mission boarding-schools to

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be operated at their very door, while on every hand hundreds of children were pressing into the Christian village schools all around them. He wished to know if they had no concern that hundreds of the village people had already joined the Christian church, and that once the present generation of young people grew up and received training their influence in their several communities would be irresistible. He informed his audience that an agent of his had taken pains to look into every department of the Vali Boarding School in Rajpipla State. It was alarming to find that therein the missionary had more than a hundred potential exponents of the Christian religion. This agent had visited the school, feigning friendliness, and wrote in the visitors' book most flattering remarks about the work done. He even accepted hospitality from the head master in order to spy out the secrets of a Christian home. It was not the first time that representatives of this society had come to investigate. The net result of all their investigation has been to popularize the mission schools and to give them a truer insight into the character and work of the mission than they had possessed. Our young people have also become more conscious of their own worth and confirmed in their own minds as to what Christ is able to do for them.

In a village where the mission for fifteen years had difficulty, due to the indifference of the people, in keeping a school going there was never any opposition from our opponents. Finally the school began to thrive and some of the boys and their parents wished to join the church. Immediately one of these Hindoo agents appeared on the scene. In fact, he came repeatedly. He tried to pose as their true religious guide. He warned them against the evil designs of the mission and showed them what dire consequences would follow, socially and otherwise, if they did not desist and have nothing to do with Christianity or any of her institutions. Their answer was the baptism of six of their number, and they were brave enough to invite him to witness the ceremony. The evangelistic missionary's camp was pitched in their midst at that time. Nightly meetings were held in the villages round about within a radius of three or four miles. For two weeks these new Christians, and other youths of the village, with the schoolmaster, after a hard day's work, walked to these meetings every

Ready for a Trip to the Village

night. They contributed much to our song services, while their very presence in the attentive crowds in itself was a good advertisement for our work. Their enthusiasm was most heartening and encounraging to the missionaries and their helpers. The latter, too, were all young men, products of our previous efforts. Seeing all this our Hindoo enthusiast must have lost heart, for he has not called in the village since then. It will also be of interest to note that a young man from this village has been attending the Vali Boarding School. It was largely through his influence and personal effort that the school in his village was revived and that some of his people came to Christ, among whom was his own father.

In another village there had been a Christian community whose light had almost flickered out. Several boys from the boarding-school have returned to them and through their efforts the fires are rekindled, and what was once the despair of the church leaders has become a gleam of hope.

Only three miles from this village is another, where there is a fine bunch of Christian boys who had returned from the boarding-school. Last winter they were organized into a little Sunday-school, whose purpose was not merely for Bible study, but for active evangelistic work. A young man from that same village is boarding-school master at Vali. Of nights he conducts a school for the children who can not attend school in the daytime. Boys of three villages attend, and the teacher's service is practically free. The children are taught Christian truths and songs as well as from schoolbooks. This

Surjanlal, the young teacher at Vali, who suffered persecution from his father for the cause of Christ same young brother not long ago had to suffer a severe trial. His bigoted father had disinherited him for having confessed Christ. He bore it all so gracefully that his father is now relenting, and we are all hoping that he himself will yet be gathered into the fold.

In the early days of the mission most of the converts were grown-ups. In a certain place a group of these were organized into a church. For fifteen years this church seemingly made no progress. The only progressive look that church ever had was the education of some of her young people. Today these young people are coming to the front and the whole situation is assuming a different complexion. Within their bounds several live schools have sprung up. The enthusiasm of some of these young leaders is manifest in the pupils. Among them are Bhils, Mohammedans, and high-caste Hindoos. They are nearly all enthusiastic Sunday-school attendants in their schoolhouses before 8 A. M. every Sunday. Later the teachers attend the regular Sunday-school and church service more than a mile away. Even their non-Christian neighbors are beginning to look on with admiration and approval. In this community dwells an old backslidden Christian. We had all thought that his family had gone to the bad since he himself had reverted to idolatry and drunkenness. His boys, however, managed to hang around the school and occasionally found time to attend for a few weeks.

Wherever we went during the recent evangelistic touring season we had the enthusiastic support of our young people, both from the boarding and village schools. Led by one of the young teachers the boys from the boarding-school make frequent visits to the surrounding villages, and are thus being trained for future village work.

The India mission has expended much time and money on her young people, and is just now beginning to realize results to an appreciable degree. Already we have raised up a number of able and earnest leaders. To them and the Indian Church has been assigned the work of evangelism formerly done by the mission. While this is true, it is too soon for the church in America to lessen her support. It is not the time to forsake the project when success is about to crown the efforts of the past. A few years ago the juniors of our church built a nice large hospital at Dahanu. They not only won the admiration both of Christians and non-Christians in India, but also became an inspiration to them to do what they can for their own people. May our young people at home thus "share Christ with India."

The Brethren (Progressive) in Africa

ORVILLE D. JOBSON JR.

Brethren Missionary to Africa

Editor's Note: Through correspondence the editor has come in touch with the Brethren activities in Africa and feels that Visitor readers would be glad to have this message from one of their workers.

THE Foreign Missionary Society of the Brethren church began work in French Equatorial Africa in 1918; however, it was not until 1921 that actual work was begun on a permanent station in Oubangui-Chari Colony. At present our society is confined to the many unevangelized tribes in Oubangui-Chari only. There are thousands of natives absolutely untouched by messengers of Christ, that are waiting for the message of Christ, as soon as we can occupy their tribes. The stations that have been opened now serve hundreds of thousands of natives of different tribes. The great fields are only being touched on the borders.

Bassai Station

Bassai Station was opened in October, 1921. It is located in the center of the most thickly populated section of the Karré tribe. Bozoum is the Government Poste for the Circonscription of l'Ouham-Pendé, and the Karré tribe is located in this circonscription. The concession, temporarily granted by the French Government, comprises some thirty acres, part of which is on the hill and part of which is in the valley. Many are showing a deep interest in the Gospel, and there is a church membership of over 1,000. Several splendid brick dwellings have been

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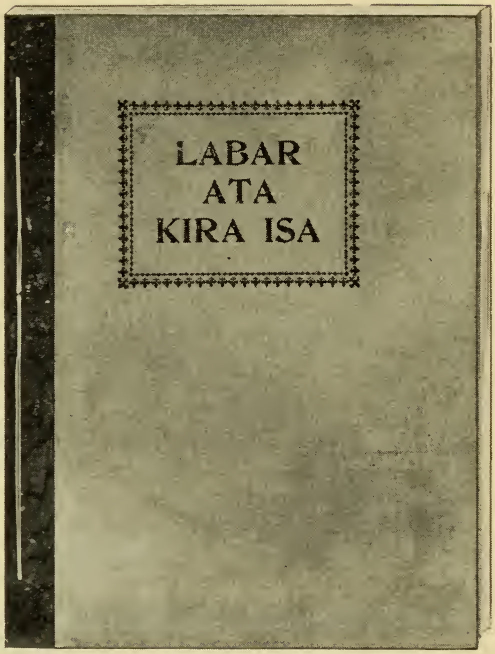
Six Books Comprise the Bura Library

H. STOVER KULP
Missionary to Africa

IN my left hand I hold six books. They can scarcely be called books, for they are little more than pamphlets. These the Africa Mission has had printed in the Bura language. The titles with translation follow. Pronounce the vowels as in Latin and the consonants as in English.

Bura Title and English Equivalent

1. Kakadur Karata na kuma Ka Mia Bura (A Book of Reading the first in the Bura language, i. e., A First Reader or Primer)
2. Kakadu Karata Ka Mya Bura Na Sudakur (A Reading Book in the Bura language, The Second)
3. Markus (Mark—translation)
4. Labar ata Kira Isa (The Message Concerning Jesus—A Life of Christ)
5. Gari na akwa Alkawal Madiya ar Kakadur Hyel (Stories from the old Testament of the Book of God)
6. Kakadu Ar Ha ka Suayiri Na Cherabiliadzi akwa Kakadur Hyel (A Book of Song and Selected Portions from the Book of God)



The Message Concerning Jesus or the Life of Christ

Two reader books also have been printed by the government. In addition our mission has prepared a health reader and an arithmetic for use in the school. These have been mimeographed. The Book of Acts was sent to the press in January, and ere you read this will be available for the Bura reading public.

These few things constitute the full and complete library in Bura. Now look in your own library, or even at the books lying on the table, and the contrast is most striking. Many a person who reads this gets more reading matter in one week through the mails than there is in the entire Bura library.

A few reflections make us appreciate the literature problem facing the Africa Mission. When one thinks of the equipment and supplies necessary for conducting a day-school or the Sunday-school, does not the greater part of one's thinking have to do with the things to read or the things that the printer furnishes? Take away all of these things, and even then you do not face exactly what the Africa Mission faced in the beginning of its work, for with printing presses available, in one's own tongue a considerable amount of literature could soon be produced. But we had a language to which we were entirely foreign, practically no printed helps in learning, and no trained native teachers.

The first task was to master the language. After six months' study one may be able to use the language to considerable advantage. However, it takes a period of two years or more until one is able to use the language with any degree of fluency with due regard to the native idiom. The second thing is to decide HOW the writing is to be done. What shall the alphabet be? A very simple rule has been followed in the past by those at work on African languages. The rule is this: Give the vowels the Italian pronunciation and the consonants their English values. All very well, and all very simple—but it is too simple. There are many consonant sounds that have no English equivalents, and there are many vowels that lie between the Italian values. We have to invent certain combinations which are approximately a representation of the sound, or we may arbitrarily decide that one of our superflous English consonants shall represent a certain sound. At the best, because our system is so simple, certain words differing slightly in sound are written the same way, although they may have a world of difference in meaning. For instance, in Bura there are two words both spelled "kila." If the "i" has a certain value the word means "to grow." Give the "i" another slightly different value and it means "a dog." So a missionary, wishing to compliment a mother on the growth of her fine baby, might quite unwittingly say something that sounds to the mother like calling her child a dog.

Having decided we are going to write the language, we next decide what sort of books we shall produce at first. Looking over the first paragraph you will see what our decision was—schoolbooks, religious books and the Scriptures. These are the first. It can scarcely be called a beginning. But already there is a wonderful influence going out from these few little booklets. To the African of these parts the reading of something from a book or paper is very impressive, even though done very haltingly. Ofttimes the sermon may be nearly all forgotten, but the scripture that was read sticks in the memory.

So this large and ever-enlarging task is before us. Two great international organizations are rendering much assistance: The Bible Society and The International Institute of African Languages and Cultures. The Bible Society pays the printing bills for the Scriptures. The latter organization has just come into existence, but it promises to be of great help in giving expert advice as to spellings, alphabets, textbooks and the like.

What shall we be doing next? The New Testament, by all means, should be provided as soon as possible. Books with native life and thought depicted should be provided. This should draw from the rich store of fable and folk lore, history and tradition which these people possess. A book on the Christian Ideal of the Home would be invaluable. More songs and hymns are needed. These should be to native tunes as much as possible. And so on and so on.

Again, when we stop to reflect how much the real foundations of our own civilization depend on printed words and on the PRINTED WORD, we pray earnestly for God's guidance to our mission as we labor in this ever-enlarging task.

The Real Deficit

WILLIAM M. BEAHM

Missionary to Africa

PAYING debts is not a happy business. It is like reaching up to touch bottom or hatching a fried egg. And when we think the debts are not of our own contracting they are not at all welcome. Paying them off is like being tired at the beginning of the day or going as fast as we can to stay where we are. But that these attitudes are natural is no sign that they are right.

Now there are people who seem to think this way about our missionary program. "Here we are," they say, "running along year after year, always coming out in the hole. This gets old. Would we not better draw in our activities so that they tally with what we give? Are we not stretching ourselves too much on our missionary program? Have we not overreached ourselves a bit? Et al?"

If anybody asks these questions seriously let us hope he gives them equally serious consideration and serious answer. In this serious consideration he will have to consider other questions. Say, for example, the following:

What proportion of a church's resources should be spent in preparing its sons and daughters for service, and what proportion in using their service in the church's program after they are prepared?

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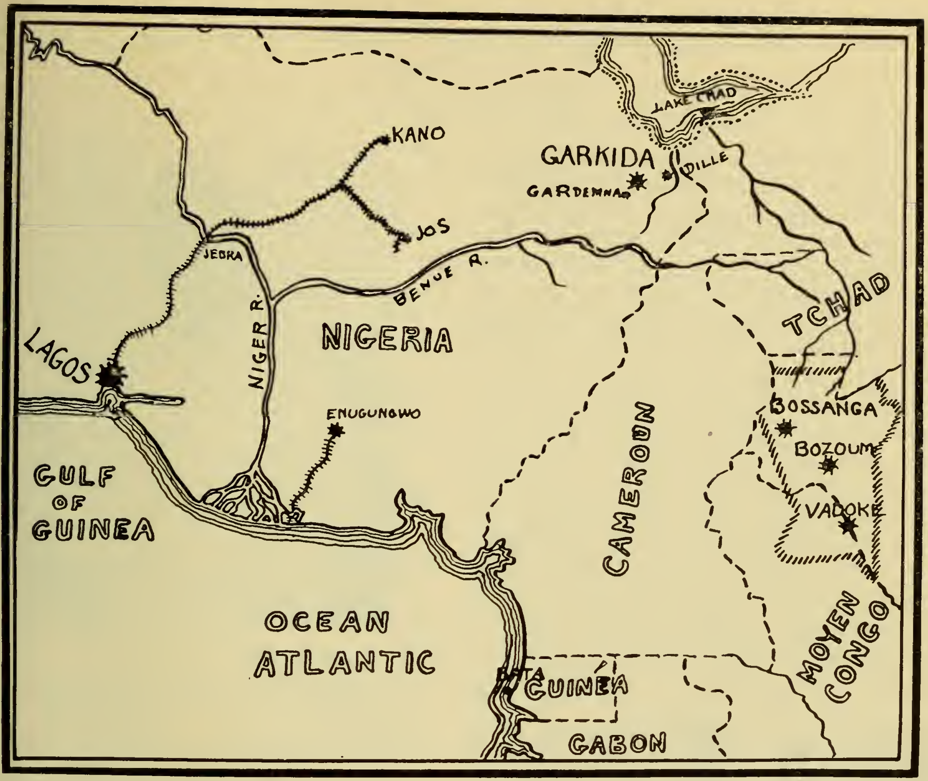

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erected, and more are under construction. Definite work has been begun for the first time on the language of the tribe, and several Gospels have been translated. The Karré people number over 30,000.

Yaloke Station

Yaloke, so named for the large Banou chief whose village joins the mission concession, was opened in February, 1924. It is located on the main automobile road from Bangui, the capital of Oubangui-Chari and Bozoum, the Poste for the Circonscription of l'Ouham-Pendé. There are nearly 100 acres on this concession, in the heart of the Banou tribe, which tribe numbers over 35,000 peoples. The natives of this region have heartily responded to the Gospel and as a result a native church membership of over 1,500 has been built up from the district. This great membership "covers an area of 62,500 square miles, there being Christians within a radius of 130 miles from the station."

Bossangoa Station

In January, 1926, after much exploration, it was decided to open a third station at Bossangoa. The site was decided upon and papers sent in to the French Government for a concession, together with request for temporary permission. Permission for gathering material was received in May, 1926, but work was not really begun until July 1. Clearing of the concession, gathering materials, etc., were carried on until permission to build was received in January, 1927, when building was begun immediately. At the end of the fiscal year, May, 1927, a dwelling house, valued at $300, and two temporary storehouses were reported as completed. This concession is beautifully situated on the Ouham River, and covers fifty-four acres. A church membership of 111 natives was the fruit of the first year's work.

Missionary Statistics

The Foreign Missionary Society has sent

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A Sunday in Church at Garkida

EARL W. FLOHR

Missionary to Africa

I SHALL never forget my first impressions of church services at Garkida. The dry season was on. The day was clear and hot, not a cloud in the skies. The first bell rang at 9 A. M., the bell being a section of railroad rail beaten by an iron rod. In half an hour the next bell rang and we donned our sun helmets and wended our way to the church.

Silently we entered and all was silence within. A few black boys and most of the white folks were there already. The minister sat with bowed head on a mud platform raised perhaps ten inches above the surrounding floor; we on chairs at one side of the room while the natives came filing in, first schoolboys and then natives from near-by villages, Garkida and Bri. I can remember the peculiar sound as they shuffled their bare feet on the pounded mud floor to brush off the sand accumulated along the path as they came.

Photo by Clarence Heckman

TYPICAL BURA BOYS. If we try to pronounce their names we may realize somewhat the task the missionaries have in learning a new language. From left to right they are Hamadu, Ya Mari, Olesho, Salki, Doapushi, and Yumpta Kwar Wulatu.

After a short while of silent waiting we saw the minister and congregation bow their heads forward and some one began to lead, "The Lord Is in His Holy Temple."

Then, responsively, with the minister leading, we prayed the Lord's Prayer. In deep-toned reverence these black people prayed in unison.

Photo by Clarence Heckman

DIKA. Dika is a Christian who has been baptized by the Church Missionary Society. He is of the same language-speaking people as the Buras. Although he is a Pahbir, he preaches very well and is better understood than are the missionaries. He is a fine young man and wants to help his people to know Jesus as he has learned to know him.

Then the chorister, one of the missionaries, came forward and led several songs. Those of you who have heard colored folks sing can imagine the earnestness of their singing. The minister read the Scripture lesson and all knelt for prayer. Perhaps the minister led, or perhaps a young man who is an applicant for baptism, I do not remember, but all was silence and reverence.

I do not remember the particular subject of the sermon. Perhaps it was that sin is like a great ulcer, which eats in until it reaches the bone, and well do these people know about the great tropical ulcers which many carry until their last day. Or perhaps it was on Samson, who was beguiled. Or perhaps a sermon on pride in earthly things, as the people say here, "letting one's heart get big." Or it might have been that these black people come to the white man to satisfy their curiosity, to see all his wonderful things and ways, to receive his boundless money for their labor, and in so doing they miss the one big thing we came

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Experiences in Christian Living

MARY SCHAEFFER

Personal Notes About a Small Group of Christians at Kao Lao, China

A HAPPY Christian family. These people live under a large overhanging rock. Here they grind their grain and cook their food. It serves as a storeroom, and also as a place to keep their chickens. A little spring at the one end furnishes them with water. The bed they sleep on has a wall around it, but the rest of the cave is open full length to the south. The mountains protect from wind and rain and they are quite comfortable. These people cannot read much, but they have a little family worship. They have two sons: one goes to school, the other is small. The mother of the home came to the Bible class carrying her two-year-old son and flour and grain enough for a week's food. With this load she walked eleven li, or three and a half miles over mountain paths, to get there. Her husband had to stay at home to watch the house, for there is no door to lock. He wanted her to attend the class half of the time and then allow him to attend half. She told him that this was her one opportunity to learn, while he had many, and she stayed throughout the two weeks. It was an inspiration to watch her face when she got new truths.

Another woman who, some twenty years ago, was sick and since then has not been willing to work, was sold from home to home, and finally landed in this group of mountain people. Her husband became a Christian about eighteen months ago. A year ago the home was visited and she was taught some, and encouraged to get up and move about and exercise in the sunshine. Her husband has been very patient with her. She is nervous but lazy. Six months ago she became a Christian, and since then has been working about the home, even to the extent of grinding the meal for the family, which is not an easy job, if you have ever tried it. Since she attended the last Bible class she is teaching the rest of the family what she has learned. She told a worker that she has been lazy long enough and now must make up for it. Her oldest stepdaughter, a girl of fourteen and very bright, wants to become a Christian. She will need encouragement all along the way, but the Lord has done much in her case with what some thought was hopeless material. The Spirit can work with the least of these.

In another home the husband became a very warm-hearted Christian in 1926. He can read quite well and is a leader among the mountaineers. His wife, fifty-two years old, was baptized in 1927. She is very bright and is learning to read; she learns as readily as most younger women. As a Christian she is becoming the natural leader of the women in that place. They have just passed through a very trying experience. A man came from the village where these people formerly lived, and bought a lot of sheep, to the amount of more than eight hundred dollars. He asked our brother to go security for him. He was advised not to do it, but answered, "My Bible teaches me to do unto others as I would be done by." He went security, and when it came to the final windup he had to pay over the money. He has spent the winter going into the famine sections buying mules and selling them. He has paid the money and did not lose his faith over the affair. When his wife wept over their misfortunes he encouraged her to pray more and not to worry. Their youngest son is a Christian, but their eldest son and wife are not. They are hoping that their lives may be a witness for Christ, and that they will soon want to become Christians.

The turmoil in China is not hindering the work of the Spirit. The Christians that are true will be all the stronger. They are meeting with derision and scoffing of a most unpleasant kind. They need your prayers, but is it not worth-while to spend time in prayer for such as these? There are others that might be mentioned. There are many cases of demon possession in those mountains, but the power of Christ can avail for them.

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You can lock up the house and everything it contains. You cannot lock up your influence on the lives of other people. What does your life count for?

THE REAL DEFICIT

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How much more apt is a church to give out of its future prosperity than out of its present need if it has decided to postpone its giving until its own needs are met?

Will those churches who say, "We need a pastor and a new building now, so we will curtail our benevolences until we have grown more prosperous," actually make large contributions later on?

Or, to push our problem back still farther, would we not better curtail some less altruistic activities and expenditures—both as a church and as individual members—so that they tally with what we can spare after we have paid off our obligations to Christ's program throughout the world?

For whether or not we have a deficit in our missionary money is not the ultimate question. The final bases upon which we measure our obligation are God's will and the world's need. And looked at from this standpoint, we see our real deficit by the side of which any amount of money which happens to be lacking is incidental. I submit that our real missionary deficit is far larger than most of us think, and that our obligation to pay it is imperative. I refer, of course, to the world's need and our obligation to meet it.

An instance or so can well be cited with reference to Africa.

Take in the first place the case of slavery. Dunbar estimates that between ten and fifteen million Negroes were brought to America from the sixteenth to the nineteenth century. And that "probably every slave imported represented on the average five corpses in Africa or on the high seas. The American slave trade, therefore, meant the elimination of at least sixty million Negroes from their fatherland. . . . And yet people ask today the cause of the stagnation of culture in that land since 1600!"

If in the face of that we do not feel like bestirring ourselves to pay off our obligations in a far more generous way than ever, we are hardly in a position to criticize Russia for repudiating her debts. There is the obligation to pour far more of life and substance into Africa than we have even yet considered. And the obligation will remain imperative until Africa has fullness of life in Christ. This is no time to contract our missionary program within the confines of our puny giving. Rather, should we increase our giving to meet the demands of our missionary obligation. Let us pay off this deficit.

Or again, take the case of the Moslem problem in the Sudan, as stated by Dr. Patton. "This region lies immediately south of the Sahara, some seven hundred miles wide, and stretching from the Atlantic to the Red Sea, a distance of four thousand miles. This vast area, for the most part fertile and arable, is inhabited by a large number of warlike tribes. The population is placed by some authorities as high as forty million. Throughout this region in recent years Mohammedan 'missionaries' have been exceedingly active, annexing tribe after tribe, until now by far the larger part of the Sudan has been preëmpted for that faith. These tribes might have been won to Christianity had our missionaries been on hand to present the message. But Christianity was conspicuously absent, while Islam was on the ground in the persons of traders on fire with fanatic zeal." This more recent advance of Islam has been given impetus by modern conditions. And tribes which resisted the approach of warlike Moslems are now succumbing to the peaceful penetration of many Moslem traders, whose traveling scope has been greatly widened by the advent of law and order.

But whence come these Moslem trader "missionaries"? They came originally from North Africa, where once flourished the Christian church of Augustine, Tertullian, and Cyprian. And how did Islam spread into the Sudan? The great Songhai tribe on the upper Niger was converted about 1010. "The Songhai, in turn, converted the great Fulani tribe south of Timbuktu in the twelfth or thirteenth century. The Fulani becoming aggressive, invaded the region to the east of the Niger, subduing and converting the Hausa people, who as traders are a mighty factor in spreading Islam today. Islam has come to dominate one-third of the whole continent. It all happened between 1010 and 1600. At the very time when the Crusaders of Europe were endeavoring to wrest the original seats of Christianity from Moslems, the Moslems

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African Nationalism

STANLEY HIGH

IN Africa, more than on any other continent, are found the materials for an interracial conflict between the white and the non-white worlds."

There is so much discussion about nationalism in China and India and the Philippines, that the nationalism of Africa—perhaps the most momentous of all—is overlooked. The people of the Dark Continent are without political rights. They are socially outcaste among their white masters. They are used, chiefly, as mechanisms for the amassing of white men's fortunes. But now, without their choosing, they are being forced, by many agencies, into the stream of world progress. There, because they do not have the restraints imposed by the civilizations of other non-white peoples such as India and China, they are falling prey to a variety of disruptive influences. The white man's booze, his brothels, his gambling dens, comprise one set of forces that are making the new Africa. The propagandists of the Soviets, using mob tactics and preaching hate and revolution, constitute a further influence. Forced labor, brutal handling, a multitude of injustices imposed in many places by the European in Africa, are still a third force out of which trouble on that continent is being brewed.

By these things the African is being awakened. His awakening is developing faster than the white man's sense of justice toward him. When the natives of the Union of South Africa demand new rights the Union Parliament, under its reactionary Boer government, answers the demand with new segregation laws, new color bars, and a Jim Crow system carried into industry. The natives' demands are rejected, but the aspirations back of the demands are not destroyed. They are stored up, with an increasing bitterness, against a day of reckoning.

The missionary in Africa is an indication to the African that harshness of treatment and discrimination are not a full picture of the attitude of the West toward non-white peoples. He is more than that. He is the exponent of a program whereby, with righteousness, the Africans may develop toward the racial destiny that they believe is rightfully theirs.

But whether or not the African will accept the Christian program is a question that will be settled by the attitude of so-called Christian peoples. If oppression continues to be the order of the day the natives of the continent, very likely, will refuse to accept the faith that their oppressors claim to follow.

British authority, as it is exercised in Africa, has set the precedent for a more liberal, tolerant policy. The missionary who works in the British colonies finds that his program, in contrast to the situation elsewhere, has the active support of the officials.

Similarly, the League of Nations exercises a most salutary influence upon exploiters on the Continent. I observed that hatred of the League's "meddling" always bore a rather close ratio to the slave tactics of the particular individual. The League is welcomed by those who believe in the development of the native. Its work is condemned by those who are out for his exploitation.

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Four men found a boat and sailed away in it. On the voyage they quarreled as to who should possess it, and finally they agreed that each should own a particular section. "Now," said number one (who could swim), "I am going to bore a hole in the bottom of my part and sink it." "No," said the others, "we cannot allow that." "It is my own part," replied number one. "That may be," retorted the others, "but he who sinks one part sinks all, and endangers our lives." And they refused to let him do as he proposed. Moral: We are all of us our brother's keepers.

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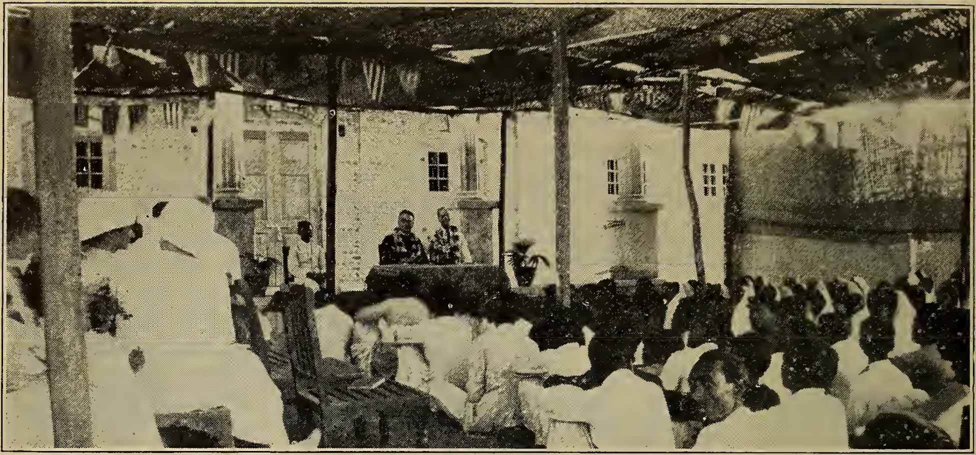
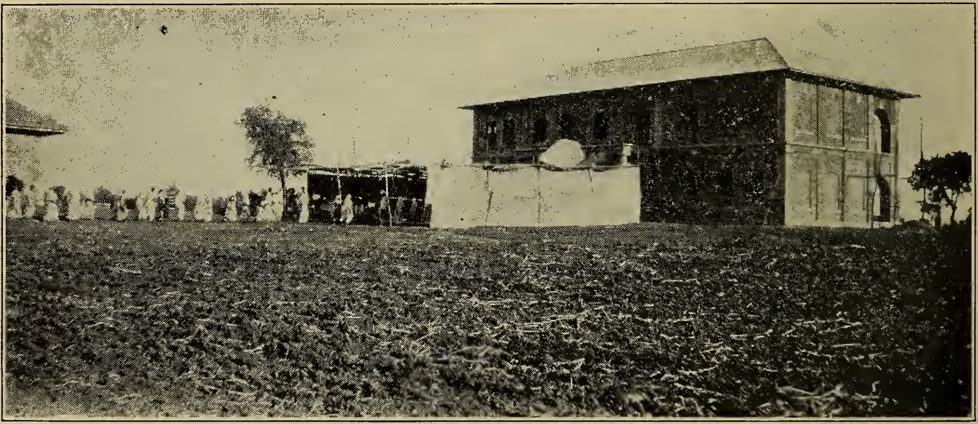
A spider wove its web. A man came along and put a thread of the web between two sheets of glass on what he called a theodolite. Then he used it to measure out and make the Panama Canal that joins two oceans. Moral: The infinitely little may be infinitely great.



DEDICATION OF THE RHODES MEMORIAL BIBLE SCHOOL BUILDING. Elders I. S. Long and Otho Winger are sitting at the speaker's table. The Indian people have made a celebrated occasion of Bro. Winger's visit and have garlanded both Brethren Long and Winger. The Indian brother, Premchand Ganesh, sitting in the front is the interpreter for the occasion.

The dedication service was held in this temporary booth which was erected for the District Meeting. The Bible School Building, which Bro. Franklin Rhodes of Dallas Center, Iowa, erected in memory of his son, is the big building seen to the rear of the speaker's position.



RHODES MEMORIAL BIBLE SCHOOL BUILDING (DISTANT VIEW). This picture shows Rhodes Memorial Bible School building and the temporary shelter provided for the District Meeting held in March, 1928.

THE REAL DEFICIT

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were quietly taking possession of the Sudan." Here is another deficit of the first magnitude which needs to be paid off. It is a part of the real deficit.

There is still a third aspect of the real deficit to be considered. And that goes back beyond the slavery orgy and the misguided Crusades to that memorable day when the One to whom all authority had been given in heaven and on earth said to his small group of followers, "Go ye therefore and make disciples of all nations." This order of our Lord himself still rests upon us unfulfilled after nineteen centuries. It is the deficit in discharging this larger obligation which should shame us in any thought of contracting our missionary program within the limits of our present giving. It will be a sad day for our church people when missionary giving comes to be the first place we think of for curtailing expenses. Let us pay our debts.

A True Home Mission Story

IRVA K. HANEY

A Home Worker

NEAR the summit of a high mountain, in one of our eastern States, stands a little white church. So unpretending is it that strangers might pass it by; but within its walls noble ideals are taught, hearts are stirred and changed. Around this little white church, during the short, pleasant summers, wild flowers bloom and cool breezes blow; but during the long, cold winters, deep snows cover the mountain side and cold winds shriek through the bare trees.

Our story happened on a Sunday in January, 1928. The preceding week had been cold and stormy. Snow covered the ground; the fierce winds, in their play, had whirled the snow about until gleaming white drifts partly filled the road leading to the little white church. The Sunday-school had been struggling to be evergreen; but would there be a session on this particular Sunday? Some must have answered "No," for when time came for Sunday-school only six girls were present. Did they find the little white church warm and inviting after their walk through the bright sunshine of this zero morning? No; to some it would have appeared very uninviting indeed. The door had blown open during the storm, allowing the snow to cover the floor and benches, some flakes being even discourteous enough to find rest on the pulpit and organ; besides, the stove was cold, as the janitor was ill. Would you have gone home?

All set to work with a will, and soon the floor and benches were clean, and a fire was roaring in the stove. The Sunday-school proceeded in the usual orderly manner. The teacher tried to impress the fact that true popularity comes through developing real soul qualities one learns from the beautiful life of Christ. After the Sunday-school session these seven young people—one boy had come in late—walked back to their homes. Was the gleam of the sun on the snow brighter now, or did it only appear so to them?

A SUNDAY IN CHURCH AT GARKIDA

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to give them, Jesus Christ. As if their native hunters should go into the bush and kill a great roan antelope, and having skinned it should bring home the hide, leaving behind the meat which would have meant the gratification of their ever-present craving for meat, of which they get very little.

I do not remember the subject, but I do remember that, whenever the preacher laid down an important point (which I was not able to know except by his emphasis, not having the language yet save for the and's and but's and here's and there's), one and sometimes more of the "big" men of the villages would repeat it like our good old "Amen" meetings of the past. While we could not understand what was said, we loved the language. It is a language of beautiful intonations, musical and flowing.

Prayer closed the service and then folks began to greet each other. "Wa pi?" (How have you slept?) "Wa pi mbru?" (How have we all slept?) "Wa ga?" (How are you?) "Wa mwalankiri?" (How is your wife?) "Wa madankyar?" (How are the children?) A more courteous people we have never met.

Then we all go to our homes, hoping some little seed of truth has lodged in some heart. The sun beats down with tropical vengeance and we flee to our mud houses, with their thick grass roofs, praising God that at last the Church of the Brethren has entered the great Dark Continent of Africa.

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The Kit: A Manual on Recreation

The fourth year of the Recreation Kit indicates that this well-prepared manual of wholesome recreation has met a great need in church groups. The little booklet is issued four times annually with recreational plans and suggestions for the four seasons of the year. It costs $1 per year, issued by the Church Recreation Service, 510 Wellington Ave., Chicago, Ill.

AFRICA MISSION

Dille Notes for March and April

H. S. Kulp

March 12 we began classes for Margi children. We continued for seven weeks and then stopped for the farming season. Seven boys attended regularly and several others were present a good part of the time. Pilesar, one of the Bura Christians from Garkida, assisted in the teaching.

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During the month of April the doctor performed more than 500 vaccinations for smallpox.

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April 25 the government official inspected the site at Lassa for which we have applied. It proved to be satisfactory, and permission was given to proceed with the erection of buildings. One residence will be built this season; also a medical compound. The Dille site is being abandoned because there is a shortage of water.

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Two songs and the Lord's Prayer have been written in the Margi language. These help to make the Margi services more interesting.

Garkida Notes for April

Our love feast was held on the Thursday evening before Easter. It was the first one with the native Christians. There were sixteen in all, eight Bura boys and eight missionaries. Native foods were used, and we surrounded native beds, which served the purpose of tables. Some of the boys were called upon to read portions of Scripture. A quiet audience witnessed the entire service. It was a spiritual feast, which gave us new zeal and strength for the days ahead. If we are faithful we believe that God will give us many more souls before another year.

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There was a special service on Good Friday afternoon with lessons on the death of our Christ. The church-school building was packed and the response to the gospel message was better than usual. A schoolboy, tied on a cross of palm, brought home the agony of our Savior on the cross.

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On Easter Sunday a good audience listened to the special Easter program. We believe that the school-children and the people of the village will not soon forget the Gethsemane, Pilate, cross and after-resurrection stories. Both boys and girls took part in the program.

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Little did we think that the next Sunday after Easter we would attend the funeral of one of Garkida's most highly respected young men. At one time Alkali seemed very near the kingdom, but the temptation to take the second wife was too great for him. His death, caused by double pneumonia, was a shock to the Christian boys, but it made them and other young men think as never before. Since his death two of his brothers have made their promise to accept Christ. One of the Christian boys preached a short funeral sermon in which he warned his people of the folly of their sins.

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Sunday afternoon, April 22, the village church at Garkida was dedicated. The sermon was preached by Sister Shisler. It had been built entirely by the people's own hands, and now they think of it as God's house, a place for prayer and Bible teaching. It is planned to have regular Sunday afternoon services at the village churches as well as the week-day Bible and reading classes for men and women. That all may lead to the saving of their souls is our prayer.

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There is no one any busier about our station than Sister Harper. Besides teaching daily in both the boys' and girls' schools she has a women's class and a boys' Christian class and directs the hospital evangelistic work. Clara is always ready to do anything there is to do, and she does it well.

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Little Jane Robertson took her first trek one week-end this month. She and her mother accompanied the doctor on one of his medical trips to Gardemna.

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School closed April 27. The rains are near and we want the boys and girls to help their parents with the farm work. They need to raise the corn for their food and cotton for their clothing. The last day of school was a special occasion for the parents and friends of the pupils. There were special features for all, and their own industries were encouraged by giving small prizes for some of their best products. There was a bit of meat for all. Most of the pupils say that they will be back when school opens, and bring others with them. Many of them accepted their Christ during the school year, and they are going to meet many temptations as well as have many chances to witness for Christ. Will you remember them in prayer that they may be found faithful.

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Practically all of the Memorial Hospital building supplies have arrived. Thanks to the untiring efforts of Mrs. Gibbel, our treasurer, these accounts, as well as our personal accounts, have been cared for in good shape. Dr. Gibbel has put the Memorial Hospital under roof before the heavy rains, and he expects to work on the inside finishing during the rains.

The next day after school closed the Helsers started on a trek to Dille, via the Danish Mission at Pella. They expect to be away about two weeks. Dr. Gibbel and Bro. Helser will attend the Mission Field Committee meeting at Dille.

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GREENE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL

Mrs. Alvin Kline

The sixth school session of the C. B. I. S. closed May 25. Rev. Guy West of Bridgewater, Va., gave a splendid address in the morning. The school-children gave the afternoon program, which consisted of original poems, an oration, music, and drills. We were glad to have a number of our friends visit us at this time. One hundred and twelve students were enrolled during the session of 1927-28, sixty-two of whom were boarding students. The enrollment was larger and the attendance better than ever before. The health of the children is good. Forty are five-point children. The boys did some shop work, and the girls have pieces of embroidery, quilts, dresses, and rugs, to show for their work outside of school.

The young people of the school and community gave a program each Sunday night of the school year. We have some good talent in this group of young people.

Our love feast was held May 6. We had a very spiritual and helpful meeting.

Rev. and Mrs. A. F. Bollinger and family, who have been away on leave of absence for a year, returned to us the middle of June. Mr. Bollinger will take up the work as superintendent, which place is made vacant by the resignation of Eld. H. C. Early. We regret to lose the services of Bro. Early, but we believe Bro. Bollinger, who was a worker in the school from its beginning, knows conditions and will put forth every effort to make the work here progress.

Two new workers have arrived on the field. Rev. and Mrs. Russell Sherman and little daughter, Lura, from Illinois, will take the place of Rev. and Mrs. Alvin Kline, who have enrolled at Bethany for the coming session. Rev. and Mrs. O. R. Hersch and little son, Harold, are now spending their vacation at the home of Mr. Hersch's parents in Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Our homes were recently brightened by the arrival of two baby boys—Richard Amsey Bollinger, born April 10, and Alvin Kline, Jr., born April 14.

We appreciate the help given us by Misses Bertha Sanford and Stella Starr of Illinois, Virginia Wampler of Weyers Cave, Va., and Corda Wertz of Ohio, who taught in other schools of the county and helped in the church work here and the neighboring churches.

We have a fine group of boys and girls here in our school, and we are made happy as we see them growing into splendid manhood and womanhood.

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MATERIAL FOR A NEW PARABLE

Remembering the parable which Jesus set forth (Luke 14), showing how different people had reasons for not coming to the feast, the following letter from a pastor suggests material for writing a new parable.

The pastor writes: "Is it not strange that so many Christians make excuses when approached for funds for the Lord's work? Some did not believe in making pledges; some were in debt already; some had large families to support; one was about ready to enter a lawsuit; some were planning improvements around the farm; some, who were along in years, thought they had given all they could while they were in the prime of life; some said they would send us their pledge in a few days (no reply has come from a single one after 'many days'); and some, strange to say, did not make excuses, yet gave nothing.

"We were made glad for the ones with 'willing' minds, for these could have found similar excuses had they been looking for ways to get out of serving instead of ways to serve.

"We are following, with interest, the varied suggestions in the Messenger of how to increase our giving. Machinery will never do it! The biblical principles of stewardship will have to become operative in every Christian's life—both young and old. This will take teaching, teaching—and more teaching for many years to come. Many people want to give, seemingly, but because selfishness causes them to plan and plan ahead for themselves, they lay nothing by **in store** for the Lord, so give very little. We approve very highly of the stewardship literature sent from Elgin, but will make this suggestion—print more of it, and put it up in more attractive form (why let worldly interests monopolize all the attractive folders, colored pictures, catchy phrases, etc.?).

"Along with the teaching of stewardship must go informational literature. If anyone says we have enough of this now, it is because he is not seeking to know about needy places in which to invest the money God has given him. Why not give us more missionary stories through our church papers? To be sure, some come to the workers for the missionary projects, but never enough to satisfy young, active minds. It seems, too, that missionaries are too timid about writing about themselves — simple everyday affairs that make one feel they are really transported to another clime. Why cheapen the Visitor by giving it no cover? Suppose a stranger were looking for a magazine, would he choose the American or the Visitor (with no cover)?

"True, the Lord's work takes courage and much prayer for guidance! Let us press forward!"

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Great services reveal our possibilities; small services reveal our consecration. They call for patience and rigorous fidelity, and the power that can endure through dreary days. So by the daily work we have to do and by the task that is given us of God, we are tested in the whole range of manhood. There are no victories so quietly glad as those that are won within one's daily work.—G. H. Morrison.

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Make very sure that your zeal for the Lord has an element of sober permanence in it, and that it is the result, not of a mere transitory feeling, but of a steady, settled purpose. And do not push yourself voluntarily into places of peril or of difficulty, where the fighting is hard and the fire heavy, unless you have reasonable grounds for believing that you can stand the strain. Bring quiet, sober reason into the loftiest and loveliest enthusiasm of your faith, and then there will be something in it that will live through storm, and walk the water with unwetted and unsinking foot.—Alexander Maclaren.

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The missionaries have done much more than to put a few million Asiatics through the formal process of becoming members of this or that denomination. They have brought the best there is in Christianity, as a religion, to the serious attention of millions who have not and will not become Christian in name. And this is back of all the more obvious gains in the way of education, sanitation and medicine which even the missionary baiters concede.

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The presence of the missionary has served as a challenge to the leaders of the East to purify their own religious beliefs and observances. In every country there are vital organizations at work to rid their shrines and temples of bigotry, superstition, and grossness. It is so because of the Christian influence of recent years. Primarily the reforms were for the defensive purpose of making it more difficult for the Christians to win converts from the other religions. But in the fight against bigotry the leaders of all religions, including Christianity, have found that they have one more thing in common.

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The score to the credit of the missionaries is not measured by the statistics of converts. Their merit outside of the strictly religious field is also great. They are the most generously disinterested and creditable representatives of the West who dwell in the East. They are the wholesome and much-needed offset to the bad element among the foreign commercial people and to the fox-trotting tourists. They are an important factor for international good will and friendliness. They have not robbed the Eastern countries nor approved their political exploitation, although they have been used for centuries by foreign powers as an excuse to justify such exploitation. Now they resent that and are demanding of their own governments that old injustices be ended and that no more crimes against Asia be committed under the guise of making it safe for Christianity.—Charles A. Selden, "Are Missions a Failure?"

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"I know of a world that is sunk in shame,
Of souls that are weary, of hearts that tire;
I know a Name, a wonderful Name
That can set that world on fire."
BUT
"Christ has no hands but my hands
To do his work today;
He has no feet but my feet
To lead men in his way;
He has no tongue but our tongue
To tell men how he died;
He has no help but our help
To bring them to his side."

The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

Missionary News

Raising Missionary Money at English River

The editor recently enjoyed a very pleasant visit in the English River church, Iowa, where the contribution for the general missionary work of the church totaled in the neighborhood of $1,000. The enthusiastic interest in mission work and this good financial response from a church of 163 members led me to inquire as to their method.

They told me that each year one of their brethren calls on every member and receives his gift for the Conference offering. In addition to this, the Sunday-school gives all of its offerings to missions and furnishes two-thirds of the support of Sister Nettie Senger in China. The expenses of the Sunday-school are paid by the church treasurer.

Once a month an offering is taken in the church for missions which amounts to $18 or $20. The Thanksgiving season is dedicated to missions, and an offering in the neighborhood of $150 to $200 is raised at this time. By these methods, plus a willingness to give, the English River church takes a foremost place in the giving of our Brotherhood.

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West Milton Works Missionary Projects

A letter from Bro. I. J. Kreider, pastor of the West Milton church, Southern Ohio, says that each child in the primary department was given a little bank and encouraged to share gifts and earnings for the Conference offering. This money is turned in quarterly. The children brought $10 the first quarter of this year.

The B. Y. P. D. of the church has set $50 for its goal. It aims to go higher than this. The money is being raised by selling extracts, giving public programs, at which offerings are taken, and the boys are raising an acre of corn.

The adults are emphasizing the deeper meanings of stewardship of all life.

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TEN POINTS ON TITHING

The doctrine of Christian stewardship is being ably and effectively advocated at the present time. Increasing numbers of devoted Christians are adopting the tithe as their minimum standard of giving to benevolent objects. A recent writer has given ten points in regard to tithing which are worthy of consideration:

1. The tithe has scriptural authority.
2. It is fair and businesslike.
3. It removes the reproach that attends many of the methods used to raise money.
4. It will lift churches out of the attitude of the beggar.
5. It removes the necessity for spasmodic efforts and for high-pressure collections.
6. It puts all the membership of the church on the same footing.
7. It leads usually to the full measure of stewardship.
8. It has the promise of the divine blessing.
9. It breaks down the wall of partition between the sacred and the secular.
10. It enables our churches to give themselves to the supreme task of soul-winning.

Have you been tithing in the past? Will you not be a tither in the future?

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One Christian's Financial Plan

An Indiana brother just mentions his financial plan to help the Lord's treasury. He is putting away $10.00 a month out of his savings until he has $100.00 together. Then he will forward the same to the Mission Board. He will continue this as long as he is able to work. He is also paying for a property, which, when he gets paid up, will also be eventually devoted to the work of the Misson Board. Getting ahead financially and consecrating it this way is his talent, and he says he is very happy doing it.

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Giving from a Sincere Heart

An Illinois sister who just sent in $5.00 and has been consistently sending in sums of about this size frequently, states that just now her pay from her employer is back several months, so she is uncertain when she can send more. She earns her money by washings and ironings.

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Garkida Hospital Report for Month of March, 1928

New cases, total	168
New ulcer cases	47
New eye cases	4
New fever cases	42
Skin disease cases	6
Rheumatism cases	13
Intestinal parasites cases	10
All other new cases	46
Total ulcer treatments	706
Total eye treatments	123
Total fever treatments	175
Total leper treatments	46
Deliveries, babies born	4
Major operations	4
Minor operations	5
Smallpox vaccinations	670
Home calls	31
Treatments in outlying villages	78
Grand total number of treatments	**2195**
Daily average number of treatments	**71.1**
Deaths	1
Amount of money actually collected	10 shillings, 4 pence

Dr. Russell Robertson.

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MISSIONARY PROJECT WORKERS

J. C. L. and B. Y. P. D. groups representing the following churches have registered with the General Mission Board since June 9 to July 9. Already there is a larger enrollment in the J. C. L. project than there was all last year. If the Juniors and Young People in your churches have not enrolled, it is not too late to begin working now. Write General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., for information.

Congregation	J. C. L.	B. Y. P. D.
Previously reported	3,213	1,548
Idaho and W. Mont.		
Emmett		30
Middle Indiana		
Hickory Grove	28	
Southern Iowa		
South Keokuk		13
Southern Ohio		
Painter Creek	12	
Eastern Pennsylvania		
Lancaster	33	
Southern Pennsylvania		
Upper Codorus	28	
Second Virginia		
Bridgewater	50	
Northern Virginia		
Unity	14	

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The Jockey's Insight

A retired jockey whom a mission worker was eager to win to Christ appeared at the mission service on Palm Sunday. The lesson that evening was the story of Jesus entering Jerusalem. After the service the jockey commented on the story. "What a jockey he would have made! I know what he was riding. It was a Syrian colt. I had a drove of those beasts to break in once. Jesus sat on one that nobody had ever ridden before. And all those youngsters were running in front and waving palms. Yet Jesus was holding him in as meek as anything." The jockey paused a moment and then said, "I say, if he could do that with a bit of horseflesh, I reckon he could do something with me."

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The Only One

A successful writer and a foreign missionary, invalided home, met in the college town where they had been classmates. The missionary, as a youth of twenty-one, had gone in the early fifties to blaze a path in a new and unhealthful field. Now, twenty years later, he was back in the homeland trying to patch up the ruins of a magnificent constitution sufficiently to return for another sojourn, feeling that with his knowledge of the people and language, he might be able to crowd his last days with useful work, even in weakness. The writer, fresh from a visit to London, where he had been acclaimed and feted as a brilliant novelist and essayist, gazed on his old friend's wasted form and features marked by suffering, seemed to have a moment of insight, and exclaimed, "Dick, you are the only one of our class that has had a career!"

The Women's Department

Conducted by Nora M. Rhodes
DALLAS CENTER, IOWA

New Missionary Book for 1928-1929

THROUGHOUT the country Women's Missionary Societies will specialize this coming year on Africa. The women of the Church of the Brethren are becoming more and more interested in the study of missions and a number of societies have been organized this past year. Let us work and pray that this coming year will see many new Women's Missionary Societies in our Brotherhood. No one can afford to miss reading the fine books that are written each year for our inspiration and information along missionary lines.

This year we are fortunate in having our textbook, **"Friends of Africa,"** written by **Jean Mackenzie** who has a wide reputation as an authority on Africa, coming as she does from the mission field in the Cameroon. She not only gives her own careful study and experience, but has obtained material from outstanding leaders, both in England and America. J. H. Oldham of Great Britain has written an introduction for each chapter. A most interesting chapter is written by Mrs. Donald Fraser, who has given her life in medical missionary work in Africa, and who is one of the outstanding leaders today.

The author develops the chapters as follows:

Chapter 1. **The New Fact of Africa.** a. The white man's new Africa; b. Elements of the black man's new Africa; c. Elements of Christian students' new Africa; d. Present-day friends of Africa; e. The missionary's new Africa.

Chapter 2. **A Human Problem.** a. Primitive African aspects; b. Primitive occupations; c. The primitive woman; d. Elements of change among these primitives; e. New aspects of the woman.

Chapter 3. **The Friend as Doctor.** Mrs. Fraser tells of her experiences with aspects of African diseases. a. Deficiencies in diet; b. Inevitable conclusion that education is the key; c. The struggle of the doctor with diseases; d. The hospital as a spiritual influence; e. The rewards of these efforts.

Chapter 4. **The Friend as Teacher.** a. Africa asking for schools; b. Types produced by Christian education; c. Women and education; d. Education of girls.

Chapter 5. **The Friend in Exile.** a. Money crops; b. Labor in mines; c. Effect of urban life on native; d. Relation of modern African woman to these conditions; e. Christian institutions to meet needs of urban natives.

Chapter 6. **Friends Henceforth.** a. The African response to Christian religion; b. Favorable elements in pioneer effort; c. Christian religion satisfies the African solicitude for family and tribal welfare; d. Our great duties toward this race capable of producing leaders.

Selections from the Book

"Hospitals in the earlier days of mission work were often something not even remotely resembling one's idea of what such a building should be. For example, one built a ward and furnished it with simple wooden beds with reed mats, but the primitive people shrank in terror from sleeping in "so huge a house," as it seemed to them. So up went partitions to make it seem more cozy and homelike. Beds were apportioned to the patients, but by day they wisely preferred lying out in the back yard in the sun, and at night five seconds after bidding them "sleep well" they, in order to do so, had all slipped off their beds and disposed the reed mats in a semicircle round the fire."

"Yes, they were from the interior, those two shapely youths, clad only in bark loin cloth and a string of dog's teeth about the neck. Long and well made spears they carried. "And whence are you and what thing is it that you bear in your hearts?" I asked. "We are sons of the Yelinda, of Real Man Esono's town. He has sent us for a teacher." Then came the thing I always dread, the explanation, which never convinces a native as to why I cannot possibly send a teacher. They went away heavy of heart. Two weeks passed. This time there were six of the bark-loin-cloth and dog-teeth necklace-clad youths in the door. The greater number was to make a more favorable impression upon me as to the power of their chief and the importance of the message they bore. Again they went away and joy did not go with them.

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"Me. I am Real Man Esono, the head of the Yelinda. Twice I have sent my people to you for a teacher. Twice it has been you have refused to send a teacher. Myself, I have come to take a teacher." There followed the usual discussion, pleading, and finally the going back home of the large company with heavy hearts, all because the white man had not been able to "make" teachers as fast as the demand.

Those young Yelinda, at the door of the schoolhouse in a forest clearing, were Africa herself, speaking her present stubborn intention to be educated. She is looking at you through the window—it is your mission's report—she is asking you to educate her.

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"As we looked over that sea of black faces, what a monument of toil they represented! What miles of traveling through burning heat or drenching rain, as ministers went from post to post, teaching, exhorting, disciplining! What hours spent by doctors ministering to the sick; by teachers instructing the young; by the women missionaries visiting with the women in their smoky thatched huts!

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The Lord's supper was held in the afternoon. Sixteen hundred and fifty church members broke the native corn bread, and the wine was served to each in his wooden spoon."—From Friends of Africa.

Price, paper covers, 50 cents; cloth covers, 75 cents. The booklet, "How to use Friends of Africa," price 15 cents.

Sunny Nigeria, by A. D. Helser, may be used as a supplementary book. $1.50. Order from Brethren Publishing House, Elgin, Ill.

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Jerusalem Council Reports

The recent meeting of the International Missionary Council at Jerusalem, March 24 to April 8, is going down in history as one of the outstanding conferences in Christendom. Never before was there such a complete representation of native Christian leadership from the various countries and lands of the sea. The work of this council is being recorded in three forms:

1. **Complete Reports of the Jerusalem Meeting.** Price $5 if ordered before Sept. 1. This complete report will contain the chief addresses of the main speakers at the council.

2. **The World Mission of Christianity.** Price 25c; a booklet containing all the statements and recommendations adopted by the enlarged meeting of the International Missionary Council. The foreword is written by the chairman, Dr. John R. Mott. It contains a complete list of the members attending the council.

3. **Beginning at Jerusalem,** a popular account of the Jerusalem meeting by Basil Matthews, paper 50c; cloth $1. This book, written in popular form, is an interpretative account of the Jerusalem meeting. Mr. Matthews caught the inspiration of the place and the hour and has presented the account vivid with richness of the historic background and international and interracial fellowship that dominated the meeting. This book ought to be circulated throughout the church membership of the country. Orders may be sent to the General Mission Board, Elgin, Illinois.

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A MISSIONARY ALPHABET

A—Always at the missionary meeting.

B—Be a booster.

C—Come, contribute cheerfully cash.

D—Don't delay dues.

E—Earnestly endeavor to educate everybody.

F—Fearlessly face the future with faith.

G—Give generous gifts graciously.

H—Help pagan homes to have happiness.

I—Interest indifferent individuals.

J—Joyfully join the Woman's Missionary Society.

K—Know the King's business.

L—Love, learn, labor.

M—Make mite-boxes mighty for missions.

N—Need new societies by fall.

O—Obedience often opens opportunity.

P—Pray persistently, and patiently persuade people.

Q—Quietly quiz quitters.

R—Remember to read records in the Visitor.

S—Strive sincerely to strengthen your society.

T—Trust today for tomorrow's triumphs.

U—Uphold united undertakings in uprightness.

V—Volunteer for victory.

W—Watch, work, win.

X—Xtend xtra effort for xtensions.

Y—Yearn for the youth to yield lives for God.

Z—Zeal and zest will help us to reach the zenith.—Rearranged from Woman's Missionary Friend.

BIRTHDAYS OF OUR WOMEN MISSIONARIES

"We pray always for you . . . that the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you."

September

1—Mrs. Alice Graybill, Sweden.
8—Mrs. Christina Kulp, Africa.
9—Emma Horning, China, now on furlough.
10—Anna Hutchison, China, now on furlough.
22—Olive Widdowson, India, now on furlough.
15—Clara Harper, Africa.
16—Mrs. Anna Lichty, India, now on furlough.
20—Mrs. Nora Flory, China.
21—Mrs. Marguerite Burke, Africa.
22—Olive Widdowson, India, now on furlough.
23—Mrs. Ellen Wagner, India, now on furlough.
24—Mrs. Lizzie Flory, China.
25—Mrs. Effie Long, India.
26—Mrs. Olivia Ikenberry, China, now on furlough.
27—Mrs. Mary Shull, India, now on furlough.
29—Mrs. Anna Crumpacker, China, now on furlough.

Pray for our missionaries

AN APPRECIATION

There were but fifty members when the church was built and the money loaned by the General Board, and after four years' use of the present equipment there are 120 resident members with a Sunday-school enrollment of 163. This seems to be a fine investment with so large a rate of interest to accrue on the monies which have made it all possible. The Oakland church is going to show her appreciation, not only in words, but will in the future do her utmost to assist with her means wherever needed to make possible the upbuilding of the kingdom of the Master.

H. A. Brubaker, Pastor, Oakland, Calif.

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"I think the summer pastoral work fine. We were very fortunate in having Miss Ada Correll with us this summer."

Granada, Kans. Mrs. H. B. Larabee.

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"I think the summer pastoral work has been of great benefit to this community. Miss Correll was loved by every one. May God bless her is our prayer."

Granada, Kans. Mrs. C. E. Chase.

AMERICA FIRST

Not merely in science, inventions, motors, and skyscrapers, but also in ideals, principles, character.

Not flaunting her strength as a giant, but bending in helpfulness over a sick and wounded world, like a good Samaritan.

Not in pride, arrogance and disdain of other races and peoples, but in sympathy, love and understanding.

Not in treading again the old, worn, bloody pathway which ends inevitably in chaos and disaster, but in blazing a new trail, along which, please God, other nations will follow into the new Jerusalem, where wars shall be no more.

Some day some nation must take that path—unless we are to lapse once again into utter barbarism—and that honor I covet for my beloved America.

And so, in that spirit and with these hopes, I say with all my heart and soul, "AMERICA FIRST."—The Rev. G. Ashton Oldham, D. D.

WE DO NOT WELL

2 Kings 7: 9

Gaunt famine reigned within Samaria's streets.
"No food! No food!" With cruel, wolfish glance
The mother, hunger-raving, eyed her child.
"No food! No food!" All parched and hollow-cheeked,
They cried aloud for aid, and none was there.
The sun went down. The weary night began,
And all the helpless, hopeless city groaned
With anguished voice. The painted idols lay
All powerless. And to God they durst not turn.
Was not his hand against them for their sin?
Baal and Ashteroth remained unmoved,
Though heathen horrors in the dreadful dark
Were wrought by frenzied priests. "No food! No food!"

And there the while, without the city wall,
The God whom they had long forsaken came,
Stretched out his arms and pitied them, and saved.
The foemen heard his chariot wheels and fled.
The camp lay empty; bread was there for all,
But darkness hid it from them; and they died
Through every hour of that long, awful night.
The parent hand was raised against the child
For lack of bread—and bread was there for all.
"No food! No food!" Yet, while the hundreds died,
Three men alone were feasting, three who knew
And hid their knowledge as they hid the gold—
The food and gold that God had won for all,
Enjoyed by three! Again, "No food! No food!"
The cry was dulled by distance. Here was couch
Of softest luxury, and here was wine.
Why leave the comfort and the kindly warmth?
Why face the horror of that famine town?
Why heed that far-off cry? But, hark again!
"A day of joyful news. We hold our peace.
The morning light will come, and then our doom.
God knows. God cares. We dare not tarry here
In lazy selfishness, while others die.
Let us go tell them, for we do not well."

And is there not a cry again today
From heathen darkness, helpless, horror-filled:
"No food! No food! We die for lack of food"?
And mothers do their infants to the death,
And fathers lose their loving fatherhood.
And idols lie all powerless, and they die.
"No food! No food!" Yet Jesus gives for all
The Bread of Life from God. "No food! No food!"
Will no one tell them of the feast prepared?
Of foemen vanquished, peace proclaimed by heaven?
Shall we, the few, amid the shades of night,
Feast, and enjoy, and hoard, whilst others starve?
"No food! No food!" Arise, we do not well,
We do not well to keep this joyful news.
A day of tidings glad; we hold our peace.
The Morning Star is rising in the East:
The Advent Morning comes. Oh, tarry not!
When he who died for them returns, and brings
His dazzling radiance, how shall we appear,
Who left those hopeless, hopeless ones to starve?
Brothers, we do not well; we do not well.

—Evangelical Christian.

"MY SHIPS"

I stood and watched my ships go out,
Each, one by one, unmooring free,
What time the quiet harbor filled
With flood-tide from the sea.

The first that sailed—her name was Joy;
She spread a smooth and ample sail,
And eastward strove with bending spars,
Before the singing gale.

Another sailed—her name was Hope;
No cargo in her hold she bore,
Thinking to find in western lands
Of merchandise a store.

The next that sailed—her name was Love;
She showed a red flag at the mast—
A flag as red as blood she showed,
And she sped south right fast.

The last that sailed—her name was Faith;
Slowly she took her passage forth,
Tacked and lay to—at last she steered
A straight course for the north.

My gallant ships they sailed away
Over the shimmering summer sea;
I stood at watch for many a day,
But only one came back to me.

For Joy was caught by Pirate Pain;
Hope ran upon a hidden reef;
And Love took fire, and foundered fast
In 'whelming seas of grief.

Faith comes at last, storm-beat and torn;
She recompensed me all my loss,
For as a cargo safe she brought
A Crown, linked to a Cross!

—Author Unknown.

The Pullman Porter

While Dr. James H. Franklin, a foreign missionary of the Baptist Church, was traveling across the continent, an old Negro porter on his car asked him, "Say, boss, is you a preachah?" "Yes, how did you guess that?" "Oh, Ah just saw a book in your seat, and Ah thought you must be a preachah. Ah was almost a preachah myself once." "Why did you give it up?" "Well, sah, Ah's got a young brothah, and when Ah told him Ah wanted to be a preachah, why, he'd been converted and preached hisself, boss. Well, sah, we talked it ovah, and decided he'd go ahead to college and be a preachah, and Ah'd come back on the road and work, so Ah did, boss; and every month Ah sent him money and he went to college." "And did he finally become a preacher?" "Yes, sah, in Africy. They call him Bishop Scott." "Bishop Scott!" Dr. Franklin gazed with amazement at the noble figure before him. Bishop Scott is said to be the first colored preacher whom the Methodist Episcopal Church made a bishop. Dr. Franklin had often read of his heroic life among his people in Africa. Later Dr. Franklin met Bishop Scott in a little town of Georgia. After the service he went up and shook hands with him. "Have you a brother who is a porter on a sleeping car, bishop?" he asked him. Then he told of the incident on the train. "Yes," said the bishop, and the tears ran down his cheeks, "he's my brother, and may God bless him. I owe everything to him."

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"About one year ago the Lakeland church received a church loan from the General Mission Board. We appreciate the loan and expect to make part return of the loan soon. This method should appeal to any church needing funds."—J. S. Leckrone, Clerk, Lakeland, Fla.

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"The members of the church at Rockford, Ill., wish in this way to show their appreciation to the General Mission Board that the General Loan Fund has made it possible for them to have a church in which to worship."—Mrs. Ross Falconer, Rockford, Ill.

Who Is My Neighbor?

The person who I think came nearest to answering the above query, writes a correspondent, was a small unassuming man named X——, a brilliant author and journalist, and he did it by means of a single act. One day I was standing in a long line of depositors in a city bank, and X—— was just in front of me. An aged man in mechanic's garb was having trouble at the teller's window.

"We do not know you," said the teller. "We cannot cash the check until some one indorses it. Do you know anyone here?"

The old man seemed to take the words as an imputation on his honesty. His face flushed. "No," he said helplessly, "I don't know anyone."

The journalist before me gave a start. The next moment he was beside the man at the window with a kindly hand on his shoulder. "Why, this is Mr. Abbott, my neighbor at Peepack!" said he. "I'd say his note was good for ten thousand dollars. Give me the check, sir."

And without stopping to glance at the figures he wrote his name across the back.

As the teller counted out the money it was a pleasure to see the look of gratitude, almost worship, that the old man gave his friend. That little act had restored all his self-respect.—Selected by Anna Lesh, from Youth's Companion.

No Difference

Mercy, a little colored girl, eight years old, was setting the table, when the son of the house, who was in the room, said to her, "Mercy, do you pray?" The suddenness of the question confused her a little, but she answered, "Yes, every morning and every night."

"Do you think God hears you?" the boy asked. And she answered promptly, "I know he does."

"But do you think," said he, trying to puzzle her, "that he hears your prayers as readily as those of white children?"

For full three minutes the child kept on with her work; then she slowly said, "Master George, I pray into God's ear, and not his eyes. My voice is just like any other girl's; and if I say what I ought to say, God don't look at my skin."—Selected.

THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY

Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

"MISTER, HE CAN TAKE MY PLACE"

As the leader came around the corner of the mission a loud "Hurrah" arose from the two hundred boys who were waiting on the mission steps. It was now only one o'clock; some of these boys had been waiting since 9 A. M. Was not this the day for them to go to the Fresh Air Camp? As the leader walked up the steps much crowding and pushing ensued. Only one hundred and fifty boys could go. One boy has a can and a long fishing pole. Three months before he had asked that his name be put down on the list. His father had been sick all winter, the mother had gone to work to earn money to feed the five little ones, and Peter had done the work around the house. He turned a handspring when the visitor put his name down. The can was for raspberries which he had promised to bring back to make a pie. For weeks he had pestered his uncle for the loan of a fishing rod. Oh! what a time he was going to have!

We could take only one hundred and fifty. We had no more money. So fifty boys were told they could not go. Away they ran home and pleaded with their mothers to come and "ask the man to take them." Amid cheers and yells the party were marched to the train, and took possession of the two coaches reserved for them. While waiting for the train to start, the rejected boys, accompanied by their mothers, came down the platform, and pleaded to be allowed to go.

Just before we started, a little woman with a large umbrella came down the platform dragging a pale-faced boy of ten. Seeking out the "camp man," she told him how the boy had been sick, and how he needed an outing that she was not able to give. Could we take him down? He looked so frail he ought to go, but there was no more money. No, he could not go. Perhaps next year we could take him. Again the mother pleaded. "Wait," said the man, and he mounted the steps of the car, blew his whistle, held up his hand and commanded silence. "Say," he began, "there's a little skinny kid who has been sick and ought to go to camp, but we cannot take any more. Is there any boy here who will get off the train and let this boy go in his place?" The silence that ensued could be felt. No boy responded. The leader now turned to the other car. At his whistle again there was silence. He repeated the same request. By this time the pale little fellow had climbed on the platform and stood looking at the boys. After a moment's silence, an almost inaudible voice said, "Mister, he can take my place," and the boy with the fishing rod and raspberry pail walked down the aisle and got off the train. The little fellow took his place. As the train pulled out the leader caught a glimpse of the retreating figure of the boy as he turned a corner of the platform. In one hand he carried the rod and can while with the other he hastily brushed away the gathering tears.

A CHILDREN'S EXERCISE

The following exercise, for twelve children and a soloist, may be found helpful in the fixing in young hearts of many great truths in the life of Christ. It is built around the hymn, "More About Jesus," coupled with selected Scripture portions:

Chorus of all children and soloist—

More about Jesus would we know,
More of his life on earth below,
More of his mighty power see,
More his true followers here to be.

First Child—

Christ cleansed the leper, raised the dead,
And made the blind to see.
The hungry multitude he fed,
The Wonder-Worker, he.
Still wonders does he work unseen
In lives made good and hearts made clean.

Second Child—

"Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God, among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know" (Acts 2: 22).

Solo—

More about Jesus' words divine,
Words that with heaven's glory shine,
Truth from above to guide our way,
Lighting our path with God's own ray.

Third Child—

He taught with wondrous power and skill
The truth to set men free,
God's law with clearer light to fill,
The greatest Teacher, he.
And those who at his feet would learn
Still find truth's light within them burn.

Fourth Child—

"We know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him" (John 3: 2).

Solo—

More about Jesus' loving deeds,
Serving so humbly others' needs,
Setting for us the perfect plan
God has in mind for every man.

Fifth Child—

In doing good his days were spent,
In service glad and free,
To give for others' need content,
The Perfect Pattern, he.
And clear before our eyes shines yet
That Perfect Pattern God has set.

Sixth Child—

"I have given you an example, that ye should do as I have done to you" (John 13: 15).

Solo—

More about Jesus, he who came
Down to this world of sin and shame,
Bringing to man from heaven's store
Joy that shall last forevermore.

Seventh Child—

He lifted loads of grief and pain,
And set the burdened free,
The oil of gladness gave again,
The great Joy-Bringer, he.
And still he gives his own today
A joy that none can take away.

Eighth Child—

"These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full, . . . and your joy no man taketh from you" (John 15: 11; 16: 22).

Solo—

More about Jesus would we learn,
More to his promised safety turn,
Building on him, the solid Rock,
Lives that shall stand the tempest's shock.

Ninth Child—

Lives that he found so poor and weak
Were built so silently
To strength and beauty all would seek:
The sure Foundation, he.
And those who build on him today
Build surely, safely, and for aye.

Tenth Child—

"Other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ" (1 Cor. 3: 11).

Solo—

More about Jesus' wondrous gift,
More of his power to reach and lift,
More of the life he gives his own,
Life so abundant, his alone.

Eleventh Child—

Forms that in death, were still and cold
He quickened wondrously,
He bade the gates of death unfold,
The one Life-Giver, he.
And still to those who own his sway
He gives eternal life today.

Twelfth Child—

"And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand (John 10: 28).

Chorus of all children and soloist—

More, more about Jesus,
More, more about Jesus,
More of the grace which he imparts,
More of his grace within our hearts.

—Mary Brainerd Smith, in S. S. Times.

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NUTS TO CRACK

1. Change "wandered away from" to "a-plenty." (Example: Lost—lots)
2. Change a very small speck into a large book.
3. Change part of an automobile into a ceremony.
4. Change to govern into to entice.
5. Change part of a chain into an oven for making brick.
6. Change a tack into a poet.
7. Change to be certain into a stratagem.
8. Change a square of glass into the back of the neck.

A Flower Garden After a Hail-storm

1. Aunt Pie.
2. A glad rim.
3. Sinus cars.
4. O be gain.
5. Main urge.
6. Par lurks.
7. Pors down.
8. Wee paste.

(Answers next month)

JULY NUTS CRACKED

Curtailments.—1. Peat—pea. 2. Growl—grow. 3. Stage—stag. 4. Spine—spin. 5. Sight—sigh. 6 Bought—bough. 7. Grind—grin. 8. Chart—char.

American Rivers Dammed Up.—1. Hudson. 2. Delaware. 3. Cumberland. 4. Wabash. 5. Missouri. 6. Colorado. 7. Arkansas. 8. Columbia.

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Retired from the farm or from business? That means you have ten times the chance a busy man has to be helping God and folks. Go to it, and good luck.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1928. As of June 30, 1928, the Conference (Budget) offering for the year ending February 28, 1929, stands as follows:
Cash received since March 1, 1928 ....$ 95,525.45
(The 1928 Budget of $389,000.00 is 24.6% raised, whereas it should be 33.3%.)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on June 30, 1928:

Income since March 1, 1928	$ 69,251.02
Income same period last year	113,449.67
Expense since March 1, 1928	97,779.46
Expense same period last year	119,600.52
Mission deficit June 30, 1928	125,933.08
Mission deficit May 31, 1928	124,259.85
Increase in deficit for June, 1928	1,673.23

Tract Distribution: During the month of May the Board sent out 250 doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 4: See July, 1928, Visitor, under A. S. M. F. 1927, in credit of $118.00 to Aid Societies of North Dakota and Eastern Montana, $10.00 of this was intended for India Missions.

Correction No. 5: See April, 1928, Visitor, under S. F. F. 1927-28, in credit of $98.82 to Student Volunteers of Bridgewater College, Second Virginia, the sum of $25.82 has since been indicated as for World Wide Missions.

Correction No. 6: See May, 1928, Visitor, under India Boarding School, credit of $25.00 to "Ever Faithful" Class, Royersford, S. E. Pa., should instead have been credited to India Share Plan, Skippack Church, Mingo congregation, E. Pa.

Correction No. 7: See May, June, and July, 1928, Visitors, under World Wide Missions, credits of $19.59, $10.41, and $7.19 respectively to Happy Corner S. S., Lower Stillwater Cong., So. Ohio, have since been designated as for the support of Betty Jeane Brooks, India.

May Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during May:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

Africa—$5.00
Indv.: Wm. Beahm and wife, ...$ 5.00

Arizona—$14.56
S. S.: Glendale, ... 14.56

California—$131.76
No. Dist., Cong.: Modesto, $5.28; No. 105523 (Iaton), $50; S. S.: Oakland, $5.53, ... 60.81
So. Dist., Cong.: A Friend of Missions (Los Angeles, First), $10; Indv.: J. H. Huff, $10.95; A Sister, $50, ... 70.95

Canada—$25.00
Aid Soc.: Willing Workers, Second Irricana, 25.00

China—$30.00
Indv.: Minneva J. Neher, ... 30.00

Colorado—$7.00
E. Dist., Indv.: In Memory of Mrs. Therese Lohmiller, ... 7.00

Florida—$34.42
Cong.: Paul C. Lantis (Brooksville), $10; S. S.: Sebring, $24.42, ... 34.42

Illinois—$1,157.87
No. Dist., Cong.: Chicago, $1,000; Sterling, $17.41; H. Spenser Minnich (M. N.) (Elgin), $.50; S. S.: Bethel, $32.20; Franklin Grove, $6.88; Lena, $13.14; Sterling, $4.45, ... 1,074.58
So. Dist., Cong.: Virden, $6.01; Edith Gerhart (Allison Prairie), $20; Clara Steiner (Champaign), $5; Mary E. Clower (Decatur), $5; Robert B. Dickson (Hurricane Creek), $4; No. 105703 (Hurricane Creek), $4; Geo. Auvil (Martin Creek), $4; Mrs. J. F. McDannel (Martin Creek), $5; Laura Parker (Mulberry Grove), $4; No. 105801 (Mulberry Grove), $5; Lev McFarlin (M. N.) (Oak Grove), $5; Pearl Noffsinger (Panther Creek), $1; Robert C. Wells (Pleasant Grove), $4; S. S.: La Motte Prairie, $11.28, ... 83.29

Indiana—$396.44
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Clear Creek, $25.87; Ogans Creek, $25; Roann, $16.43; John F. Frantz (M. N.) (Wabash Country), $.50; S. S.: Beaver Creek, $14.89, ... 82.69
No. Dist., Cong.: Cedar Lake, $4.86; E. M. Butterbaugh (First South Bend), $150; S. S.: "Elite" Class, Elkhart City, $70, ... 224.86
So. Dist., Cong.: Pyrmont, $36; Josephine Hanna (Kokomo), $1; O. H. Zirkle (Middletown), $5; Samuel D. Stoner (Mt. Pleasant), $5; Ruth Wagoner (Pyrmont), $1; John Greenhalgh (Sampson Hill), $4; Lewis Jones (Sampson Hill), $1; Olive Jones (Sampson Hill), $2; Mrs. Fannie Inglis (Summitville), $8; Sarah E. Dellinger (Upper Fall Creek), $1; Mrs. John M. Horney (White). $2; Jesse Henry (Windfall), $5; Ellie Love (Windfall), $1; S. S.: Grace (Indianapolis), $6.89; Mt. Pleasant, $10, ... 88.89

Iowa—$17.77
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Robins (Dry Creek), $10; S. S.: Bagley, $1.47; Pleasant View (Cedar), $2.71, ... 14.18
So. Dist., S. S.: Franklin, ... 3.69

Kansas—$138.30
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Overbrook, $84.95; Sabetha, $16.35; W. A. Kinzie (M. N.) (Navarre), $.50; S. S.: Sabetha, $21, ... 122.80
N. W. Dist., Cong.: N. Albin (Maple Grove), 5.00
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Parsons, $5; Verdigris, $5, ... 10.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: H. F. Crist (M. N.) (First Wichita), ... .50

Louisiana—$18.38
Cong.: Roanoke, $12; S. S.: Roanoke, $6.38, 18.38

Maryland—$73.56
E. Dist., Cong.: Westminster (Meadow Branch), $38.15; Geo. A. Early (M. N.) (Meadow Branch), $.50; S. S.: Westminster (Meadow Branch), $13.41; Myersville (Middletown Valley), $6.50, ... 58.56
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Cora Foltz (Beaver Creek), ... 5.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $5; C. H. Merrill & Wife (Cherry Grove), $5, ... 10.00

Minnesota—$14.00
Cong.: Winona, ... 14.00

Missouri—$58.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: A Sister (Warrensburg), 2.00
No. Dist., Cong.: O. H. Feiler (M. N.) (Rockingham), ... 1.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Vairview, $50; D. H. Wampler (Jasper), $5, ... 55.00

Nebraska—$30.08
Cong.: Lincoln, $6.40; Omaha, $5; Octavia, $10.25; S. S.: Lincoln, $8.43, ... 30.08

New Mexico—$6.57
Cong.: Clovis, ... 6.57

Ohio—$245.85
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Akron, $33.51; Danville, $86.97; E. G. Diehm (Woodworth), $3; A Sister (Wooster), $5; Aid Soc.: Woodworth, $50; Aid Societies of district, $25, ... 203.48
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Florence Roberts (Fair-View), $25, Mrs. Emma Swank, (Logan), $4; Harvey Bloom (portage), $4, ... 33.00
So. Dist., Myrtle Blocher (Greenville), $4; Chas. L. Flory (M. N.) (Piqua), $1.50; S. S.:

Castine, $3.87,	9.37
Oregon—$5.00	
S. S.: Ashland,	5.00
Oklahoma—$15.00	
Cong.: A Helper (Washita),	15.00
Pennsylvania—$717.56	
E. Pa., Cong.: Mountville, $42; Reading, $20; West Conestoga, $87.39; District Meeting Offering, Richland, $63.54; S. S.: Mt. Hope (Chiques), $17.54; Lititz, $8.62; Myerstown, $12.90; Spring Creek, $8.88,	260.87
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Huntingdon, $5.57; Lewistown, $45.96; Woodbury, $5; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek), $10; Nora Seiber Kelle (Huntingdon), $25; C. B. Beach (Raven Run), $5; D. I. Pepple & Wife (Woodbury), $10; Women's Missy. Soc. (First Altoona), $3; S. S.: Rockhill (Aughwick), $3.75; Maitland, (Dry Valley), $6.20; James Creek, $3.84; Curryville (Woodbury), $7.69; Yellow Creek, $8.11; Aid Soc.: Juniata Park, $10,	149.12
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Norristown,	107.39
So. Dist., Cong.: Back Creek, $9.01; Chambersburg, $58.10; Washington Strauser (Lost Creek), $1; S. B. Myers, Jr. (New Fairview), $25; H. K. Latshaw (Shippensburg), $5; Mary Bixler (York), $1; S. S.: Brandts (Back Creek), $5.15; Hanover, $6.12; Mechanicsburg, $7.15; Chestnut Grove (Upper Codorus), $5.87,	123.40
W. Dist., Cong.: Quemahoning, $19.78; Roxbury, $50; Mrs. Dora Spicher (Rockton), $2; A Sister (Rockton), $5,	76.78
Virginia—$19.13	
E. Dist., Cong.: R. A. Heddings (Midland),	5.00
No. Dist., S. S.: Sutherland (Damascus),	3.28
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Pleasant, $4.73; S. S.: Brdigewater, $6.12,	10.85
Washington—$33.25	
Cong.: Greenwood, $13.25; Hanford (Sunnyside), $15; Indv.: No. 30, $5,	33.25
West Virginia—$54.53	
First Dist., Cong.: Beaver Run, $4.53; J. D. Beery (Tearcoat) $25,	29.53
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Calvin Vandegrift (Bethany), $5; Lizzie Williams (Bethany), $5; W. S. Arbagast (Valley River), $10; David Dean (Valley River), $5,	25.00
Wisconsin—$9.87	
S. S.: Chippewa Valley, $1.68; White Rapids, $7.19,	9.87
Total for the month,	$ 3 258.90
Total previously reported,	7,323.34
	$10,582.24
Correction No. 5,	25.82
	$10,608.06
Correction No. 7,	37.19
Total for the year,	$10 570.87

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND—1927-28

Virginia—$25.00	
Sec. Dist., Student Volunteers of Bridgewater College,	$ 25.00
Total for the month,	$ 25.00
Total previously reported,	271.32
	$ 296.32
Correction No. 5,	25.82
Total for the year,	$ 270.50

AID SOCIETY MISSION FUND—1927

California—$127.00	
No. Dist., Aid Societies,	$ 127.00
Illinois—$216.00	
No. Dist., Aid Societies,	216.00
Iowa—$73.00	
So. Dist., Aid Societies,	73.00
Kansas—$173.45	
N. E. Dist., Aid Societies,	165.45
S. W. Dist., Aid Soc.: Conway Springs,	8.00
Michigan—$100.00	
Aid Societies,	100.00
Missouri—$36.50	
Aid Societies of So. Missouri and Arkansas,	36.50
Nebraska—$72.00	
Aid Societies,	72.00
Ohio—$239.60	
N. E. Dist., Aid Societies,	239.60
Pennsylvania—$274.00	
Mid. Dist., Aid Societies,	224.00
S. E. Dist., Aid Soc.: First Philadelphia,	25.00
So. Dist., Aid Societies,	25.00
West Virginia—$10.00	
First Dist., Aid Soc.: Bethel (White Pine),	10.00
Total for the month,	$ 1,321.55
Total previously reported,	1,391.22
	$ 2,712.77
Correction No. 4,	10.00
Total for the year,	$ 2,702.77

HOME MISSIONS

California—$7.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: A Sister (San Bernardino),	$ 7.00
Kansas—$58.79	
S. W. Dist., Y. M. C. A., Y. W. C. A., World Service Group, Christian Endeavor, and Faculty of McPherson College, deputation,	58.79
Maryland—$5.00	
W. Dist., Cong.: C. H. Merrill & Wife (Cherry Grove),	5.00
Missouri—$1.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: A Sister (Warrensburg),	1.00
Nebraska—$4.60	
Cong.: Afton,	4.60
Total for the month,	$ 76.39
Total previously reported,	313.22
Total for the year,	$ 389.61

HOME MISSIONS SHARE PLAN

California—$25.00	
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: Long Beach,	$ 25.00
Indiana—$25.00	
Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Pipe Creek,	25.00
Ohio—$15.00	
N. E. Dist., Aid Soc.: E. Nimishillen,	15.00
Pennsylvania—$50.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: Loyal Workers Class, Lititz, $25.00; Aid Soc.: Richland, $25,	50.00
Virginia—$25.00	
No. Dist., Aid Soc.: Northern, Greenmount,	25.00
Total for the month,	$ 140.00
Total previously reported,	100.00
Total for the year,	$ 240.00

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

Virginia—$30.64	
E. Dist., Cong.: Manassas,	$ 30.64
Total for the month,	$ 30.64
Total previously reported,	104.28
Total for the year,	$ 134.92

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Indiana—$2.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: W. C. Williamson (Walnut),	$ 2.00
Ohio—$3.97	
So. Dist., S. S.: Middletown,	3.97
Pennsylvania—$92.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: No. 105554 (Spring Creek),	10.00
Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Curryville (Woodbury),	7.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Shippensburg,	75.00
Total for the month,	$ 97.97
Total previously reported,	392.92
Total for the year,	$ 490.89

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1927

Africa—$1.67	
Indv.: Julia Ann and Lewis Benton Flohr,	$ 1.67
California—$30.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept., Covina,	30.00
Kansas—$5.20	
S. W. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, Larned,	5.20
Michigan—$4.50	
S. S.: Children's Dept., Sunfield,	4.50
Pennsylvania—$6.24	
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept., First Philadelphia,	6.24
Total for the month,	$ 47.61
Total previously reported,	235.45
Total for the year,	$ 283.06

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1928

Pennsylvania—$45.00	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Junior Y. P. D., Lewistown,	$ 35.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Junior Church League, Shippensburg,	10.00
Total for the month,	$ 45.00
Total previously reported,	84.89
Total for the year,	$ 129.89

B. Y. P. D. FUND—1928

California—$29.70	
No. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Fresno, $10; Circuits No. 3 and No. 4, $19.70,	$ 29.70
Illinois—$38.30	
No. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Franklin Grove, $30; S. S.: Young People's Class, Shannon, $3.30,	33.30
So. Dist., S. S.: "Truth Seekers" Class, LaMotte Prairie,	5.00
Maryland—$16.00	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Willing Workers" Class, Pleasant View, $6; B. Y. P. D.: Pleasant View, $10,	16.00
North Dakota—$18.50	
S. S.: Y. P. Class, Kenmare,	18.50
Pennsylvania—$19.95	
Mid. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Lower Claar, $5; Spring Run, $2.95,	7.95
W. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Westmont,	12.00
Washington—$12.66	
B. Y. P. D.: Sunnyside, $8.21; Tacoma, $4.45,	12.66
Total for the month,	$ 135.11
Total previously reported,	242.34
Total for the year,	$ 377.45

INDIA MISSION

Indiana—$70.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mexico, Pipe Creek, Santa Fe, Peru, Logansport,	$ 70.00
Kansas—$4.00	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Fannie Stevens (Osage),	4.00
Maryland—$10.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: Julia E. Long (Meadow Branch),	10.00
Oklahoma—$80.00	
S. S.: Big Creek,	80.00
Pennsylvania—$231.29	
E. Dist., Cong.: Harrisburg, $60; Richland, $37.75; S. S.: Harrisburg, $34,	131.75
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Cradle Roll, Lewistown,	5.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Codorus,	94.54
Total for the month,	$ 396.29
Total previously reported,	448.50
	$ 843.79
Correction No. 4,	10.00
Total for the year,	$ 853.79

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Florida—$5.00	
Indv.: J. E. Young,	$ 5.00
Maryland—$80.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: Westminster (Meadow Branch),	80.00
Total for the month,	$ 85.00
Total previously reported,	165.00
Total for the year,	$ 250.00

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Idaho—$25.00	
S. S.: Fruitland,	$ 25.00
Kansas—$25.00	
N. E. Dist., Aid Soc.: Morrill,	25.00
Ohio—$80.00	
So. Dist., Indv.: W. S. Ullery & Wife,	80.00
Pennsylvania—$161.00	
Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Koontz,	35.00
So. Dist., S. S.: York,	126.00
Total for the month,	$ 291.00
Total previously reported,	73.25
	$ 364.25
Correction No. 6,	25.00
Total for the year,	$ 339.25

INDIA SHARE PLAN

California—$12.50	
So. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners Class" First Los Angeles,	$ 12.50
Indiana—$200.00	
Mid Dist., Cong.: Pipe Creek,	150.00
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: White Branch (Nettle Creek),	50.00
Kansas—$50.00	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: "Servants of the Master" Class, Morrill,	50.00
Michigan—$25.00	
Home & Foreign Missionary Society of Union Church of Tekonsha,	25.00
Ohio—$50.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: N. D. Groff (Beech Grove),	50.00
Oregon—$50.00	
Cong.: H. H. Ritter & Wife (Mabel), $25; S. S.: Mabel, $25,	$ 50.00
Pennsylvania—$148.50	
E. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners Class" Annville, $25; "Sunshine Class" Indian Creek, $12.50,	37.50
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Rev. A. B. Miller & Family (Lewistown),	36.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Shippensburg,	75.00
Total for the month,	$ 536.00
Total previously reported,	705.38
	$ 1,241.38
Correction No. 6,	25.00
Total for the year,	$ 1,266.38

INDIA MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$99.67	
So. Dist., La Verne Cong. for Susan Stoner, Ina Kaylor, L. A. Blickenstaff and wife,	$ 99.67
Colorado—$50.00	
E. Dist., S. G. Nickey (Sterling) for Dr. Barbara Nickey,	50.00
Illinois—$275.00	
So. Dist., Cerro Gordo Cong. for Dr. A. R. Cottrell,	275.00
Indiana—$350.00	
Mid. Dist., Mexico Cong. for Lillian Grisso,	350.00
Iowa—$700.00	
No. Dist., South Waterloo S. S. for Jennie Miller, $275; Intermediate and Junior Depts., South Waterloo S. S. for Lorita Shull, $50; Primary Dept. South Waterloo S. S. for Marjorie Miller, $50; "Loyal Helpers" Class South Waterloo S. S. for Josephine Miller,	

$50; C. W. S. and Aid Soc.: South Waterloo for A. S. B. Miller, $275,	700.00
Kansas—$20.70	
N. E. Dist., Appanoose Cong. for Ella Ebbert,	15.00
S. E. Dist., Parsons S. S. for Emma H. Eby,	5.70
Michigan—$75.00	
Phoebe M. Oaks for Ethel A. Roop budget,	75.00
Ohio—$15.87	
So. Dist., Happy Corner S. S. (Lower Stillwater) for Betty Jeane Brooks,	15.87
Pennsylvania—$125.00	
W. Dist., Shade Creek Cong. for Anna Blough,	125.00
Total for the month,	$ 1,711.24
Total previously reported,	2,282.63
	$ 3,993.87
Correction No. 7,	37.19
Total for the year,	$ 4,031.06

CHINA MISSION

Illinois—$26.97	
No. Dist., Cong. No. 105474 (Franklin Grove), $10.62; S. S.: Bethel, $16.35,	$ 26.97
Indiana—$10.00	
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: White Branch, Nettle Creek,	10.00
Iowa—$450.00	
No. Dist., Minn., and S. Dak., Sunday Schools,	450.00
Kansas—$2.00	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Fannie Stevens (Osage),	2.00
Missouri—$4.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: Katie A. Lehman (Smith Fork),	4.00
Virginia—$12.23	
First Dist., Cong.: N. E. Lintecum (Crab Orchard), $5; S. S.: Pleasant View, (Chestnut Grove), $7.23,	12.23
Total for the month,	$ 505.20
Total previously reported,	199.23
Total for the year,	$ 704.43

CHINA NATIVE WORKER

Kansas—$30.00	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Appanoose,	$ 30.00
Michigan—$7.15	
S. S.: Sugar Ridge,	7.15
Total for the month,	$ 37.15
Total previously reported,	60.90
Total for the year,	$ 98.05

CHINA SHARE PLAN

California—$25.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners" Class, First Los Angeles, $12.50; "Friendship Bible Class," Pasadena, $12.50,	$ 25.00
Indiana—$25.00	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Pleasant Dale,	25.00
Ohio—$50.00	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: "Willing Workers Class," Ashland City,	25.00
So. Dist., Aid Soc.: Eversole,	25.00
Total for the month,	$ 100.00
Total previously reported,	394.15
Total for the year,	$ 494.15

CHINA MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$129.83	
No. Dist., Sunday Schools for Minneva Neher,	$ 92.33
So. Dist., Missionary Class, Covina S. S. for Henry K. Oberholtzer,	37.50
Colorado—$5.90	
E. Dist., Antioch Cong. for Anna N. Crumpacker,	5.90
Indiana—$37.59	
No. Dist., Sunday Schools for Mary Schaeffer,	37.59
Michigan—$13.62	
Primary Classes, Sugar Ridge S. S. for Haven Crumpacker,	13.62
Pennsylvania—$325.29	
E. Dist., Peach Blossom Cong. for Anna Hutchison,	185.29
Mid. Dist., Ellis & Carl Beaver (Lewistown) for Minor M. Myers,	140.00
Virginia—$150.00	
Sec. Dist., Willing Workers Class, Middle River S. S. for Verna Flory,	150.00
Total for the month,	$ 662.23
Total previously reported,	1,228.14
Total for the year,	$ 1,890.37

SWEDEN MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

Pennsylvania—$275.00	
E. Dist., Conestoga Cong. for Ida Buckingham,	$ 275.00
Total for the month,	$ 275.00
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 275.00

AFRICA MISSION

Indiana—$4.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Rosette Nickler (Elkhart),	$ 4.00
Kansas—$4.00	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Fannie Stevens (Osage),	4.00
Minnesota—$4.00	
Cong.: Mrs. Chas. Vanderbie (Root River),	4.00
Missouri—$2.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: A Sister (Warrensburg),	2.00
Ohio—$100.00	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Wm. H. Hines (West Nimishillen),	100.00
Pennsylvania—$55.00	
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept., First Philadelphia, $5; Aid Soc.: Royersford, $50,	55.00
Total for the month,	$ 169.00
Total previously reported,	364.52
Total for the year,	$ 533.52

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

Kansas—$25.00	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: "Servants of the Master" Class, Morrill,	$ 25.00
Total for the month,	$ 25.00
Total previously reported,	261.25
Total for the year,	$ 286.25

AFRICA MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

Indiana—$37.59	
No. Dist., Sunday Schools for Marguerite Burke Budget,	$ 37.59
Pennsylvania—$600.00	
Mid. Dist., Sunday Schools for Bertha C. Robertson,	600.00
Virginia—$100.00	
Sec. Dist., Bridgewater Cong. for Ella Flohr,	100.00
Total for the month,	$ 737.59
Total previously reported,	1,474.58
Total for the year,	$ 2,212.17

NEAR EAST RELIEF

Pennsylvania—$29.31	
E. Dist., S. E.: Elizabeth Martin's Class, Midway, $5; Primary Dept., Spring Creek, $3.81; Junior Class, Spring Creek, $.50; Young Men's Bible Class, Spring Creek, $20,	$ 29.31
Total for the month,	$ 29.31

Total previously reported,	144.90
Total for the year,	$ 174.21

CONFERENCE BUDGET

California—$7.19	
No. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Nannie A. Harmon (Lindsay), $4; S. S.: Patterson, $3.19,	$ 7.19
Canada—$22.00	
Cong.: Vidora,	22.00
Idaho—$53.25	
Cong.: Payette Valley,	53.25
Illinois—$65.04	
No. Dist.. Cong.: Mt. Morris, $10; Pine Creek, $38.39,	48.39
So. Dist., Cong.: Allison Prairie, $11.65; Mrs. J. H. Neal (Girard), $5,	16.65
Indiana—$124.50	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Phoebe Lee (Landessville), $6; E. S. Metzger and Family (Manchester), $23; S. S.: Bethel Center, $7,	36.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Cedar Lake, $47; Etta Bitting (Blue River), $1.50,	48.50
So. Dist., Cong.: Richmond, $12; Esta Lannerd (Nettle Creek), $10; S. S.: New Bethel, $18,	40.00
Iowa—$157.85	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Bagley,	43.60
No. Dist., Cong.: Curlew,	114.25
Kansas—$138.43	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Harry R. Lehman & Wife (Abilene), $5; Shuss Family (Sabetha), $20,	25.00
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Belleville, $31.36; North Solomon, $34.31; Unknown Donor (Salina), $5,	70.67
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Fort Scott, $25; Fannie Stevens (Osage), $2; Indv.: S. R. Perry, $1,	28.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Conway Springs, $9.76; Kate Yost (Peabody), $5,	14.76
Maryland—$346.86	
E. Dist., Cong.: Beaver Dam, $55; Bethany, $60; Green Hill, $31; Mrs. A. W. Ecker (Thurmont), $10,	156.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Brownsville, $187.75; S. S.: West Brownsville (Brownsville), $3.11,	190.86
Michigan—$31.50	
Cong.: Lansing, $2.50; Shepherd, $25; Sunfield, $4,	31.50
Minnesota—$12.55	
Cong.: No. 105686 (Bethel), $5; S. S.: Minneapolis, $7.55,	12.55
Missouri—$102.77	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mineral Creek,	86.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Shelby County,	16.77
Nebraska—$66.31	
Cong.: Octavia,	66.31
North Carolina—$34.28	
Cong.: Brummett Creek, $25.25; Mt. Carmel, $1.02; Petersons Chapel, $2.61; Pleasant Valley, $5.40,	34.28
Ohio—$319.48	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: John Culler (E. Nimishillen), $10; Indv.: Jacob D. Miller & Wife, $2,	12.00
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Black Swamp, $30; Marion, $17.11; Ross, $7.25,	54.36
So. Dist., Cong.: Painter Creek, $153.12; F. D. & Ella Rosenberger (Covington), $100,	253.12
Oklahoma—$15.00	
Cong.: Cathrine Garland (Bartlesville), $5; Mrs. Ellen Garst (Bartlesville), $5; Harry R. Lehman and Wife (Thomas), $5,	15.00
Oregon—$25.00	
Cong.: Mable, $15; Charles E. Wolff and Family (Bandon), $10,	25.00
Pennsylvania—$242.40	
So. Dist., Cong.: Mechanicsburg, $165.50; S. S.: Mechanicsburg, $25,	190.50
W. Dist., Cong.: Shade Creek, $43.90; S. S.: Truth Seekers Class, Westmont, $8,	51.90
Virginia—$100.00	
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Bridgewater,	100.00
Washington—$21.60	
Cong.: Whitestone, $16.60; Mrs. J. C. Snyder (Richland Valley), $5,	21.60
Wisconsin—$14.45	
Cong.: Chippewa Valley,	14.45
Total for the month,	$ 1,900.46
Total previously reported,	915.36
Total for the year,	$ 2,815.82

MISSIONARY STATISTICS

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forth to our work in Africa twenty-one missionaries since 1918. Four of these have given their lives in the service of our great Savior and King, one has been returned to the homeland because of ill health, twelve are now in the service and three are on furlough. There are six missionary children.

Financial Income

The total missionary offerings for the society the year before work was begun in Africa were $5,880.77. The total offerings during the year when the first party sailed for Africa to open work were $12,103.68. The offerings of the Foreign Missionary Society have grown to over $40,000 in the past year.

The Brethren in Africa. The above map shows the location of the three Brethren mission stations in French Equatorial Africa. To the northwest are located the three Church of the Brethren stations at Garkida, Dille, and Gardenna. The distance between the two missions does not appear great on the map, but the country between is mountainous and transportation would be quite difficult.

Christian World Practicable

A Christian world is not only practicable; in the long run it will be found that no other sort is practicable.

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- Bollinger, Amsey, and Florence, 1922
- Finckh, Elsie, 1925
- Hersch, Orville, and Mabel, 1925
- Kline, Alvin, 1926
- Wampler, Nelie, 1922

Dayton, Va.

- Early, H. C., and Emma, 1925

In Pastoral Service

- Bowman, Price, and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
- Eby, E. H., and Emma, 3503 St. Joseph Ave., St. Joseph, Mo., 1927
- Fahnestock, Rev., and Mrs. S. G., 1105 Haight Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
- Haney, R. A., and Irva, Lonaconing, Md., 1925
- Horner, W. J., and Hazel, 3122 Ellis Ave., Fort Worth, Texas, 1920
- Rohrer, Ferdie, and Pearl, Jefferson, N. C., 1927
- Royer, Naomi, 1059 Michigan Ave., Portland Ore., 1927
- Showalter, R. K., and Florence, Rosepine, La., 1926
- White, Ralph, and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923

In Evangelistic Service

- Smith, Rev., and Mrs. S. Z., Sidney, Ohio

SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö, Sweden

- Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
- Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

Liao Chow, Shansi, China

- Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
- Senger, Nettie M., 1916
- Shock, Laura J., 1916

Peking, China
% No. China Language School

- Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921, and Lulu, 1919

Ping Ting Chow, Shansi, China

- Crumpacker, F. H., 1908
- Flory, Edna R., 1917
- Metzger, Minerva, 1910
- Schaeffer, Mary, 1917

Show Yang, Shansi, China

- Neher, Minneva J., 1924
- Ulery, Ruth F., 1926

T'ung Chow, Chihli, China

- Flory, Byron M., and Nora, 1917
- Heisey, Walter J., and Sue, 1917
- Oberholtzer, I. E., and Elizabeth, 1916

On Furlough

- Bright, J. Homer, and Minnie, Union, O., 1911
- Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, Covina, Calif., 1924
- Clapper, V. Grace, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1917
- Cline, Mary E., 832 Cumberland St., Bristol, Va., 1920
- Crumpacker, Anna, McPherson, Kans., 1908
- Horning, Dr. D. L., and Martha, 1136 Michigan Ave., Topeka, Kans., 1919
- Horning, Emma, 730 Molino Ave., Long Beach, Calif., 1908
- Hutchison, Anna, Westernport, Md., 1911
- Ikenberry, E. L., and Olivia, King St. Dist., R. 4, Danbury, Conn., 1922
- Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater, Va., 1919
- Seese, Norman A., and Anna, % General Mission Board, 1917
- Smith, W. Harlan, and Frances, 2624 E St., La Verne, Calif., 1920
- Sollenberger, O. C., and Hazel, % J. W. Coppock, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, 1919
- Wampler, Dr. Fred J., and Rebecca, Accomac, Va., 1913
- Wampler, Mrs. E. M., Rocky Ford, Colo., 1922

AFRICA

Garkida, Nigeria, West African, via Jos

- Flohr, Earl W., and Ella, 1926
- Gibbel, Dr. J. Paul, and Verda, 1926
- Harper, Clara, 1926
- Helser, Albert D., 1922, and Lola, 1923
- Robertson, Dr. Russell L., and Bertha C., 1927
- Shisler, Sara, 1926

Dille, via Jos and Maiduguri, Nigeria, West Africa

- Burke, Dr. Homer L., and Marguerite, 1923
- Kulp, H. Stover, 1922, and Christina, 1927

On Furlough

- Mallott, Floyd, and Ruth, 5479 Ellis Ave., Chicago Ill., 1924
- Heckman, Clarence C., and Lucile, Polo, Ill., 1924
- Beahm, Wm. M., and Esther, Elgin, Ill., % General Mission Board

INDIA

Ahwa, Dangs, India

- Butterbaugh, A. G., and Bertha, 1919
- Garner, H. P., and Kathryn, 1916

Anklesvar, Broach Dist., India

- Grisso Lillian, 1917
- Long, I. S., and Effie, 1903
- Moomaw, I. W., and Mabel, 1923
- Woods, Beulah, 1924

Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

- Cottrell, Dr. A. R., and Laura, 1913
- Mohler, Jennie, 1916
- Shumaker, Ida C., 1910

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

- Blickenstaff, Verna M., 1919
- Ebbert, Ella, 1917
- Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
- Nickey, Dr. Barbara M., 1915
- Roop, Ethel, 1926
- Swartz, Goldie E., 1916

Jalalpor, Surat Dist., India

- Miller, Eliza B., 1900

Vada, Thana Dist., India

- Brumbaugh, Anna B., 1919
- Ebey, Adam, and Alice, 1900
- Kaylor, John I., 1911, and Ina, 1921

Palghar, Thana Dist., India

- Alley, Howard L., and Hattie, 1917

Post Umalla, via Anklesvar, India

- Miller, Arthur S. B., and Jennie, 1919
- Wolf, L. Mae, 1922
- Ziegler, Kathryn, 1908

Vyara, via Surat, India

- Brooks, Harlan J., and Ruth, 1924
- Mow, Anetta, 1917

Burjor Bag, Lunsikui, Navsari, India

- Mow, Baxter M., and Anna, 1923

Woodstock School, Landour Mussoorie, W. P., India

- Stoner, Susan L., 1927

On Furlough

- Blickenstaff, Lynn A., and Mary, 129 Orange Ave., Long Beach, Calif., 1920
- Blough, J. M., and Anna, 1309 Franklin, Johnstown, Pa., 1903
- Hollenberg, Fred M., and Nora, Stanley, Wis., 1919
- Kintner, Elizabeth, Ney, Ohio, 1919
- Lichty, D. J., 1902, and Anna, 1912, Trotwood, Ohio
- Miller, Sadie J., R. F. D., Waterloo, Iowa, 1903
- Royer, B. Mary, Richland, Pa., 1913
- Shickel, Elsie N., 2211 Orange Ave. N. W., Roanoke, Va., 1921
- Shull, Chalmer, and Mary, 3407 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
- Summer, B. F., and Nettie, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
- Wagoner, J. E., and Ellen, North Manchester, Ind., 1919
- Widdowson, Olive, Penn Run, Pa., 1912

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Editorial

RETURNING THE MISSIONARIES

Not in the history of the Church of the Brethren Foreign Missions have there been so many furloughed missionaries at home. Not since 1909 have we had a year without sending out any new missionaries. Never before has there been such a wide gulf between the available mission funds and the cost of the program as in the present year. These conditions ought not so to be. They are not normal conditions. It is normal for the Church of the Brethren to have its workers on the field of action. It is normal for us to be sending forth new workers each year. It is normal for us to pay our bills. It is God's will that we should do all three of these things, and under the leadership of our Savior Jesus Christ we shall get back to normal.

Why So Many Missionaries on Furlough?

The unsettled condition of China in the past years has made mission work difficult. Mothers with children have not felt it expedient to work at interior stations. During part of the time the American consul advised that missionaries remain away from the interior mission posts. Now, with the apparent close of the war, we dare to believe conditions will permit work to go forward unhampered.

The number of missionaries on furlough from Africa and India is little larger than usual. However, for want of funds missionaries to both India and China, who are

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due to return to their fields, will have to remain in America this fall.

New Workers Needed

Our splendid record in sending new missionaries annually since 1909 was broken this year. Certain new workers were very much needed. There may be a growing impression in America that the day of sending missionaries is drawing to a close, or that the oriental people no longer desire Christian missionaries. True, there have been reactions against missionary work. There always has been opposition. This issue of the Visitor records two instances of severe persecution. But generally speaking, the orient needs and desires our embassadors of Christ. Our former pictures of the oriental standing, holding out his hands, yearning for the Christian missionary, never were true. But the best of the oriental people are glad to receive our Christian contribution. If the missionaries sent to them are true sons of God and brothers to all mankind, and adequately trained for the arduous tasks of the missionary, they are wanted.

Paying Our Bills

"The word of the Brethren is as good as their note." God grant that this old saying will grow truer with age. Yet there is a serious shortage of mission funds at the present time. Its cause is not so much the decreased giving of the churches as the increased missionary activities of the church. Perhaps some mission appeals have been delivered too much in the form of scoldings. Our morale should not be broken. Our present condition is caused by a combination of circumstances. Our mission work is growing and bearing fruit. The General Mission Board presented a program of work to the 1927 Conference, which body in turn approved it, assuming that the church was able to go forward in its mission work. The receipts from the churches showed a small decrease instead of an increase. The Board has taken steps to reduce the expenditures. Drastic cuts have been ordered in the work of the foreign fields. Missionaries have heavy hearts because hopes they thought to realize are now dampened. Promising children are kept out of the schools. Villages ripe unto the harvest cannot be gathered now. But the Board is determined to bring its work within the scope of the giving of the church.

Shall We Make New Advances?

Our church is missionary in heart and spirit. We are able to make new advances.

Our increased Conference offering at La Verne is a sign of encouragement. Our well-trained missionaries and consecrated volunteers ready for action should be put to work to the limit of their capacity. Forward-looking churches are not folding their arms, now that the Conference offering period is over, but they are continuing to raise additional funds. Offerings at harvest meetings, Thanksgiving and Christmas time and the monthly Sunday-school offerings all help to keep the work moving. An increasing number of churches have written missions into their annual budget, and the weekly contributions provide a portion for missions. The children and young people are busy on their projects. New Shares of Support are being subscribed. Especially are the Aid Societies taking shares in Home Missions. By these various methods the work goes forward in the Master's name.

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THE LA VERNE CONFERENCE

The editors of the Gospel Messenger have given the church a good report of the events and addresses of the Annual Conference. Conference is a big event in the church. Its legislative aspects have been superseded by the spirit of conferring. More and more the church realizes its members come from the many areas of the United States. Naturally the traditions, ideals, and methods of life vary. There is a growing understanding of this condition and an earnest desire to be Brethren in spirit regardless of differences. Truly, the spirit of this Conference was brotherly.

The addresses were of a strong character, such as are worthy of careful reading. The Conference Report includes the choicest and is well worth the 50c asked for it by the Brethren Publishing House, Elgin, Ill.

The missionary spirit was predominant. The Sisters' Aid was there, reporting large gifts for missions. But they were there not only to talk but to produce more money for missions. Sewing that had been done in the local groups during the past year had been brought for sale.

Missionaries from the three fields—India, China, and Africa—joined and presented a dramatic demonstration of experiences on the field, the work of the schools, the hunger of the people for knowledge, and the effects of a cut in finances. The missionaries also set up a splendid exhibit in the La Verne College library.

The General Mission Board held several sessions at the Conference. The need of a deputation to Africa was presented by the Board to the Standing Committee who, in turn, advised the Board to send such a deputation, and report was made to the Conference of the Standing Committee's action.

In view of the shortage of funds the India and China field budgets were cut 15% from the already-reduced budgets presented from the fields.

The Board at its April meeting discussed the question of whether, in the light of financial shortage, the Visitor should be continued. At Conference the Board decided to continue it but to reduce some expense by eliminating the monthly detailed financial report.

Appropriations for Home Missions for the year Aug. 31, 1929, were made, amounting to $37,575.

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THE AUGUST MEETING OF THE GENERAL MISSION BOARD

The regular annual meeting of the Board, held August 8, was earlier than usual because Bro. J. B. Emmert, a member of the Board, passed through Elgin at that date, en route to Africa on the deputation which he and Bro. Charles D. Bonsack are making.

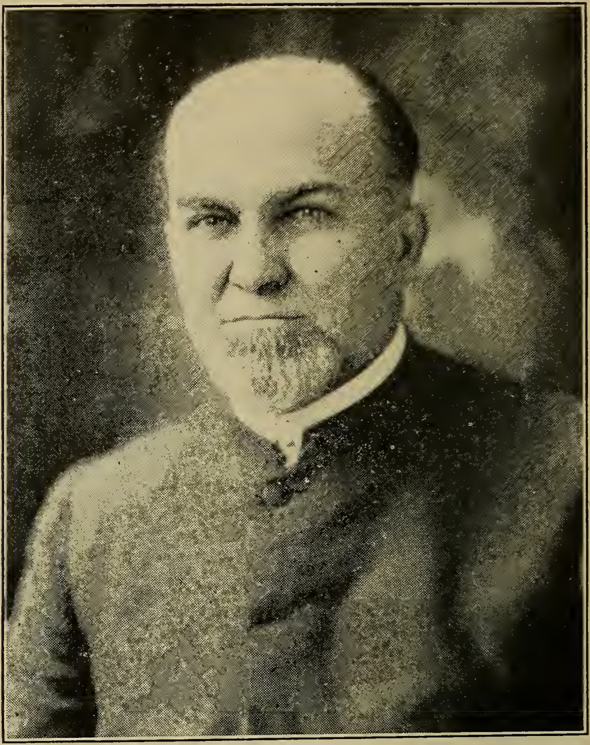
As this was the annual meeting of the Board, reorganization was effected with the following officers: President, Otho Winger; Vice President, A. P. Blough; Secretary, Charles D. Bonsack; Treasurer, Clyde M. Culp; Missionary Education Secretary, H. Spenser Minnich; Home Mission Secretary, M. R. Zigler.

A plan was adopted by which the Indian workers of the India mission will pay a small portion from their regular support into a pension fund from which they may receive aid in old age or at any time it may be necessary for them to discontinue working for the mission. This arrangement is in harmony with plans contemplated for church workers in America, provision for which was made by the La Verne Conference in appointing the General Mission Board and General Ministerial Board to work on the question.

The Board regretted exceedingly the necessity of reconsidering the budget that was authorized for the Africa mission for 1929, and that it was necessary to make a cut of 15% on account of shortage.

The Board has set regularly four special occasions for financial appeals to the churches. These dates are at Conference time, Thanksgiving, Christmas, and in February. The Board authorized an additional special appeal to be made in September.

The Board has a firm conviction that the Church of the Brethren is interested in missions. Recently several brethren who have become aware of the serious cuts which the Board is making, both in its foreign and home work, sent in generous checks to help the situation. The Board believes that if the membership of the church generally learns of the urgency of the present time for financial support, there will be a movement all over our Brotherhood to supply these needs of the missionaries.



ELDER CHARLES D. BONSACK

The Deputation to Africa

On Aug. 17 Elders Charles D. Bonsack, secretary, and J. B. Emmert, member, of the General Mission Board sailed from New York for Africa. They will go by the way of Antwerp, Belgium, to the west coast of Africa. William Beahm and wife, missionaries returning to Africa, will accompany the deputation from Belgium.

They will go first to Leopoldville, where there is to be held, Sept. 16-24, a Protestant Missions Conference. This is the first time a conference for the whole of West Africa has ever been held. The subjects to be considered are the African church, governments, peoples and cultures of the West Coast, health and sanitation, education, the approach of the Moslem, co-operation, land, labor and industry.

Then the deputation will go northward until they come to the Church of the Brethren Mission at Garkida in Nigeria. Here they will spend some little time acquainting themselves with the program of work established, the possibilities of the future, and will advise with the workers on the field concerning the steps to be taken for the best conduct of the work.

At the recent La Verne Conference the General Mission Board set before the Standing Committee the need of a personal acquaintance with the mission fields of the church. The Standing Committee recommended that the Board send a deputation to Africa.

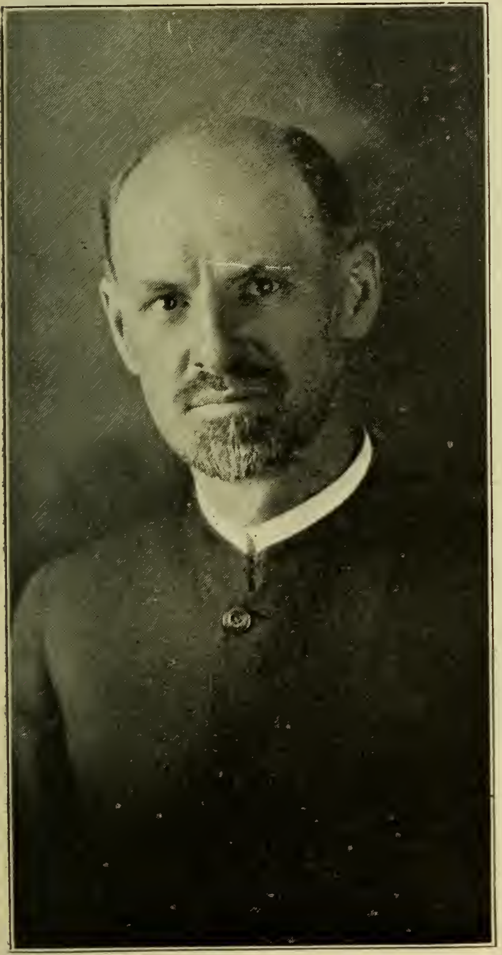
Let us pray that our brethren will have a safe journey, and that God will direct their studies and give them wisdom in consulting with the missionaries.

The Need of Board Deputations to the Mission Fields

J. M. BLOUGH

Missionary to India Since 1903

IF we wish to carry on our mission work with the greatest efficiency and the best coöperation it is necessary to send deputations from the Board to the mission fields. Three groups of people make it necessary: 1. The missionaries on the field. 2. The Mission Board. 3. The church at home. And all three of these groups should profit immensely through such deputations. The Mission Board stands between the church and the missionaries and is under obligations to serve them both and to develop perfect coöperation between them. To this end deputations are indispensable.


ELDER J. B. EMMERT

But I will confine myself to the needs of the first group, i. e., the missionaries on the field. We want deputations to come to the fields for the following reasons:

1. **We need help to solve the many difficult problems which arise on the mission field.** There are always policies to be determined and methods of work to be decided upon which require the best wisdom available; hence we need, and sincerely welcome, the help which experienced and well-informed deputation members can give us. As we counsel together we arrive at safer conclusions than either party could reach alone. Sometimes there is a difference of opinion which can be cleared up by such help from the outside, and coöperation increased. Sometimes we are too near to a situation, or our sympathies are too much drawn out, to see it in its proper perspective, and outside eyes help us to see it clearly. In many ways this counsel and fatherly advice help us to solve our problems and make the mission machinery move more smoothly.

2. **We need an opportunity of presenting our situation on the field in person to the Mission Board.** A deputation makes this possible. Through letters and mission decisions we attempt to acquaint the Board with our situation, but it is impossible to do it adequately and often imperfect impressions are given. There is nothing so satisfactory as a personal interview and a face-to-face presentation of a matter. When you remember that every policy and forward move of the mission must be sanctioned by the Mission Board you will know how eager we are to show them the situation just as it is and have them see it with their own eyes. The better the Board understands the situa-

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World's Tenth Sunday-school Convention

THE EDITOR

A GREAT spiritual League of Nations was realized at Los Angeles from July 11 to 18. The tenth World Sunday School Association had delegates from thirty-two countries, with a total registration of 7,631, and more than 876 of these from foreign countries. Previous conventions have been held as follows: London 1889, St. Louis 1893, London 1898, Jerusalem 1904, Rome 1907, Washington, D. C., 1910, Zurich 1913, Tokyo 1920, and Glasgow 1924. The next convention is to be held in 1932 at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, South America.

The Brethren, with more than 400 attendants, had the largest representation per capita of any denomination having delegates there. The convention was such a good demonstration of world brotherhood, and such lofty spiritual ideals were daily set forth, that even a prophet could with difficulty forecast what the convention means to our church.

The World Sunday School Association was originally composed of individuals deeply interested in extending Sunday-school work throughout the world. At Glasgow it was voted that the association should become a federation of national and international units on a world basis governed by an executive committee elected by these units. Of the thirty-five nations in the federation only the North American and British units are self-supporting and contributing to the work in other fields. The budget for the association between now and the next meeting in 1932 is $100,000, of which part the British are to raise $30,000, and the remainder is to be contributed by North America. The British section has been assigned coöperation with national units on the European continent and with India North America has been assigned coöperation with all other units.

Dr. W. C. Poole, of London, the retiring president of the association, in his opening address, made many remarkable utterances:

"Jesus gave back hope to a despairing world because he brought it face to face with God. For him faith in God carried with it, as inherent in its very nature, a certainty of God's victoriousness. On the foundation of this triumphant certainty he fashioned the new fabric of society."

"The kingdom of God which our Lord preached in Galilee is through and through a social salvation. He wanted to rebuild society from its spiritual foundations upward around the new controlling principle of the true reality of God."

"Christianity broke down the selfishness of human nature by revealing a God in whose heart the cross was a perpetual experience: it was the story of a love which suffered in order to save, which created the religion of redemption."

"If we are really sincere when we pray 'Thy kingdom come' we must teach the childhood of the world that friendships are a better protection than battleships; that ballots are more effective than bullets; and that law is more final than war."

Dr. Poole also properly evaluated the relationship between men and money when he said:

"We must insist in our teaching that cooperation and not competition is the deepest law of life. They must be taught that conscience should come before coupons; duties before dividends and men before money.

"Further, we must refrain from nauseating the palate of youth with the diet of hate. We must work together to produce a world made up of brothers and comrades, not of rivals and victors. We must tell out in words of winsome appeal the love of God for the world which sent Christ to die for it. We must demonstrate in our own lives that all unloveliness has been purged from our breast by the grace and power of the Lord Jesus."

One of the high points of the convention was reached when Miss Nannie Helen Burroughs, of Washington, D. C., spoke in behalf of her people, the American negro. She set forth in clear and unmistakable terms what is involved in Christian brotherhood rising above race and class distinctions. Among her striking epigrams dealing with this subject are the following:

"If Christianity cannot change race prejudice the ideals of Christianity are a myth."

"People today have come to work each other instead of working together."

"Jesus Christ followed one hard and fast rule: if he met a condition that needed remedying he attacked it courageously."

"When Jesus met a man who could not see straight, he worked with him until he saw every man a man."

"This world must be built on grace and not race."

Dr. Poole, speaking in another address, referred to the three leading characters of the parable of the good Samaritan:

"If the Levite had spoken the truth as to his feelings, and ambitions, he would have said: 'What is mine, is mine if I can keep it.'

"The robber would have said: 'What is mine is mine if I can take it.'

"The Samaritan would have said: 'What is mine is yours if you can share it.'"

Dr. Daniel Poling, president of the International Christian Endeavor Society, and a foremost speaker in the convention, was greatly concerned about the righteousness of our own America. He gave the call to the forces of Christianity to defeat nullificationists of the eighteenth amendment of the constitution, and openly indicated that his opposition is to be centered in the candidate for president chosen by the Democratic party. He said, "Though the Democrats adopted a plank that is all that could be desired, the nominee of the Democratic party is not satisfactory, for by his own statement he refuses to support that plank, and in its stead advocates a plan for State control and definition of prohibition which would throw this country into bedlam and social confusion."

Dr. P. R. Hayward, director of young people's work of the International Council of Religious Education, gave an address on "Youth's Christian Quest.". We quote from it as follows:

"Youth is on a quest because our great creative God placed in their souls a pulsing, surging, intangible something that forces them into the quest for higher and better things. For the first time in the history of the church the adults are willing to say to youth: 'We want you to work hand and hand with us on this great Christian quest and together we will be victorious.'"

The greatest discoveries of the world are yet to be made, he said, and they will be made by the ones who are the young people of today.

The convention elected for president, Sir Harold Mackintosh, Halifax, England. There are twelve vice-presidents. The one elected from America is Dr. W. C. Pearce, of Los Angeles, California. The association has an executive committee, of which Dr.

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Present-Day Persecution at Bhat

B. M. MOW

Missionary to India

Think not that I came to send peace on the earth:
I came not to send peace, but a sword.—*Matt. 10: 34-39.*

AND so it happens. Sometimes a man's foes are they of his own household, and sometimes they may be a big, powerful organization. At present the fire has broken out against our Christian community at Bhat, with a purpose evidently nothing short of wiping it out entirely. Not because a few of the village folk have become rascals or oppressors or disagreeable, but because they have given their allegiance to Christ.

Bhat and six other villages near by consist of a practically homogeneous population, the fisher caste. During and after monsoon they go out on expeditions at sea, and at other times they work on their nets and equipment, or whatever else they can pick up. In the early days of the mission Bhat was regarded as a favorable place to establish work, and a school was opened. It had its ups and downs, and it came near being shut down as hopeless; for, whenever a wave of opposition came the children would be taken out of school. But somehow we held on, and a strong teacher, named Damodar Pocha, was placed there. He was not a hireling but a shepherd, who threw in his lot with the people—as far as they would permit a man of another extraction to do.

The first fruits were in 1921, when Lallu, son of Puna, and another boy were baptized. The latter was counted a strong Christian and encourager of others, till recently under dire threats he relapsed. But Lallu has continued to be filled with the Spirit and a never-failing testimony. It is always a joy to meet him. His family made his way thorny for a time, yet he demonstrated a new life to them and they were puzzled. Then one day a strange thing happened to the father, which he accepted as a vision and call from Christ himself. He and two other

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Photo by Elizabeth Kintner

VILLAGE SCHOOL AT BHAT. Bhat is a fisher village along the Arabian Sea. In 1926, when this picture was taken, the school at Bhat was large and the attendance regular. In the back row, not far from Eliza B. Miller, is Lallu Puna, among the first to be baptized in that village. He was bitterly opposed at first, but a few years later had the joy of seeing his father and brothers become Christians. Then later his mother was baptized, the first woman there to become a Christian. Considering the present persecution at Bhat, this brother and all the other Christians certainly need the prayers of the church in America.

Persecution Tests Faith in Africa

EARL W. FLOHR

Missionary to Africa

THE old fathers in Buradom are rising with the cry of "Traitor, traitor!" Middle age, youth and childhood are breaking away from heathenism to follow Jesus, and this is the severest possible indictment of these old men.

Yesterday, Hyelandika, a young married Christian who is helping with the work here at Gardemna (rather, I should say, we are helping him), went to salute the man in whose compound he had lived and who had been as a father to him since his father died. This man, one of the big men in Garkida and an enemy of Christianity, said, "Well, you and I are not relatives any more. I do not expect to mourn your death nor attend your funeral. Neither do I want you to come and weep at my death." Now this is a great insult among Bura people. Hyelandika replied, "If you wish it so, so shall it be, but we Christians are entering the light and you are in the darkest of darkness." Hyelandika continued on to another village to salute his wife's folks. About the first thing his mother-in-law said was, "Well, Kwambali [one of the maddest and rashest of the old generation] was here and told me that I was a traitor to my Bura people. He said I had destroyed three of my children. [One is Jeneba, Hyelandika's wife; another Njida, a young man of about eighteen years, and one of the very staunchest of the baptized Christians; and another, Hyelazheriya, a boy of about fourteen years, who is ready for baptism.] He begged me to save Mwalahauwa and Gana." (These are two little girls whom perhaps his lustful old heart was already yearning to lay hands on in a few years.) "Follow Kwambali," Hyelandika replied, "and you are all lost. We are following the Book of God."

Photo by Clarence Heckman

HYELANDIKA AND JENABA. Soon after the missionaries started to work at Garkida this young man, then a boy, set off to see the world with two companions. On the road he started saying Mohammedan prayers to help him along. By going through these forms he felt that he was assured of food and a place to sleep by friends of that faith. After about a year he returned and took Jenaba as his wife. The missionaries believe him to have great possibilities as a Christian character.

A little more than a month ago one of the prominent citizens of Garkida died. He had attended enquirers' class and we all thought he would enter the kingdom, but alas, he took another young girl to wife. At his "crying," as they call the period of mourning prior to burial, something happened. This young man, Hyelandika, stood in a tall "bi" of guinea corn and preached to nearly a thousand people. As far as I know this is the first funeral sermon over a native by a native in Buraland. Among other things he said, "Here is a man who stood in the doorway of the kingdom of God, but he neither came in nor went out. He had wives, he had gowns, he had horses, he had houses, but these could not save him. Today his soul is lost. Those of you who hear me take warning, for God may not spare you long. Put your faith in God not in riches. Jesus alone can save you." The meeting was barely over when old Kwambali said, "Did you hear that! He doesn't mourn when his relative died! If I only dared lay hands on him. I would crucify him! I would crucify him!" And why? Not merely because he had failed to make a big fuss "crying" and drinking beer at his relative's funeral, but because these young men's lives are a living, ever-present indictment of the sinful lives of their elders, and because these young men are fearless. Christianity means that beer and its debauchery must go. It means also that monogamous (one wife to a man) marriage relations will come, and that will foil these lustful old men who snatch up another beautiful young girl every couple of years or so, thus depriving the young men of young wives because they have not the wealth with which to pay the dowry.

Already four have taken the first covenant for Christ here at Gardemna, two young men, one married woman and a boy. Today, June 10, 1928, we examined eight men and boys ranging in age from ten to forty years, and two women approximately eighteen and twenty-five years of age. Among the men, one is, next to the local chief, the biggest man in the village. All have been in the enquirers' classes for some time. They came today, saying that they wanted to take the first covenant and were ready to endure any sort of persecution. We explained to them that the Way of the Cross was not easy, that they would have to give up many things and would perhaps be disowned by their relatives, but still they insisted. Among the young men was a boy of sixteen. His name is Mwada Dumwadu. Some time ago he became ill with a severe pain in his abdomen. His parents fixed up a gourd of hot water in which they seethed the bones of a poisonous snake, as is their custom. They wanted him to drink it. He refused to drink it and retired to his hut. (Personally I have no doubts as to the efficacy of the hot water, but as to the snake's bones I am a bit dubious!) Once in his hut he thought he had better pray, so he asked God to make him well. In the morning he was better. When he came to enter the enquirers' class, we told him he had better ask his father's permission. He sought permission and was told that when he entered the class he must leave his father's house and be disowned. Nevertheless the boy entered.

Another father here in Gardemna threatened to cut his son's throat if he entered the kingdom. And so it goes. We are encouraged. With this much reaction from the devil it is fairly sure that the kingdom is making progress in Buraland. Pray for these brave people for Jesus' sake.

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TWO NEW BOARD MEMBERS

For several years the General Mission Board, as well as others, has felt the important interests, financial and spiritual, justified a larger Board membership than five. For years the custom has been to elect only elders to membership on the Board. Considering our fine spiritual laymen, accustomed to handling business propositions, many have felt they should occupy positions on our church boards. In accordance with this spirit the La Verne Conference enlarged the Board from five to seven members and elected two laymen—J. K. Miller from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and L. C. Moomaw from Roanoke, Va. We hope to introduce these men more fully in a later issue.

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WORLD'S TENTH SUNDAY-SCHOOL CONVENTION

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Luther A. Weigle, of New Haven, Conn., was elected chairman. The recording secretary is Dr. Hugh S. McGill, of Chicago, and general secretaries are James Kelley, Glasgow, Scotland, and Robert Hopkins, St. Louis, Mo.

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The Prayer of a Lonely Student

"Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, thou hast made the earth and the people thereon, white, yellow, red or black, at thy will and they are all good in thy sight. I beseech thee to comfort me when I feel like a stranger here; help me to endure persecutions and scorns; give me wisdom that I may understand that people of whatever complexion are all thy children and thou art their Father and Creator."—By a Chinese Student, printed in The Living Church.

A Harvest Offering

We have been forced to cut down our appropriations to mission work at home and abroad. The appeals that have come as a result have stirred our hearts. We can easily discourage workers and cripple the work. Mission schools are being closed. Missionaries are kept at home. After-war conditions in China bring great distress. Africa is facing a fruitful opportunity right now. At home conditions call to us to make Christianity vital and effective.

The General Mission Board at its recent meeting decided to call for a special harvest offering for the work. Our crops promise well. Our land is favored with abundance. Let us rally in faith and courage to this need. We set apart Sunday, Sept. 9, as a day for this offering. Some may prefer a prior date, or the time of an appointed harvest home service. A little gratitude and faith in every member would make such an offering unanimous, loving and liberal. Let us all give as unto the Lord and we shall be both blessed and a blessing in increased measure.

General Mission Board.

Charles D. Bonsack, Secretary.

THE NEED OF BOARD DEPUTATION TO THE MISSION FIELDS

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tion the better they can present it to the church. We want the Board and the church to know by testimony other than our own.

3. **We need deputations to help the indigenous churches on the field to realize and appreciate their relationship to the church in America.** Missionaries and funds come from America, and it is good for the churches on the field to know some brethren besides the missionaries, and to know from them about the church and her interest in them, and her hopes and desires for them. This is very helpful indeed.

In conclusion. I wish to mention the **great inspiration and encouragement which missionaries receive from deputations.** We have very few visitors, and it is a great event when brethren come to us from the church in America. They bring us your prayers and good wishes; they fellowship with us in our homes; they preach to us and encourage us in our faith and daily service; we visit together and advise together about the great work of the kingdom. Oh, what a blessing it is! For this reason alone deputations to the fields would be justified.

PRESENT-DAY PERSECUTION AT BHAT

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sons took baptism (in '23), and four years later the wife followed. Two other men, Sukkar and Buddha, accepted, and their families followed later. And then, it seems, Satan must have decided that this thing must be stopped. Strong representations were made that by becoming Christian these people had defiled themselves, and they were endangering sacred traditions. A council of the seven villages told the people of Bhat that they must get rid of the Christian school and religion, on pain of being themselves outcasted. So much persuasion and so many threats were used on the Christians, that the weaker ones did yield and go back to Hinduism and comfort. But the stronger ones remained firm and carried on the work. We had many friends among the people, and they continued to send their children to school, knowing full well that the Christians were NOT vile, but the best citizens they had. After a period of excitement matters cooled down a bit, and so remained till May.

The opposers were tired of the delay in expelling the school, so they began to seek outside advice on methods of coercion. They needed not far to go, for at Gandevi, some ten or twelve miles distant, is an Arya Samaj training school where they turn out red-hot missionaries to oppose the efforts of Mohammedans and Christians. It is their boast that that one school will undo the work of the Christian missionaries of all Gujarat. It is their desire to win all people, high and low, good and bad alike, into Hinduism. Witness the loud Arya Samaji (an intolerant, zealous, conservative sect in Hinduism) crowing over the foul scandal of Miss Miller's conversion. So the council got the head man (Maharana Shankar) to come out and give them a big meeting on June 9. Eld. Nathalal and two deacons went out to Bhat a few days before that to strengthen the brethren, and Art Miller also came that day from Vali. And these men went to the meeting. But of course it was impossible to say anything to the point with our champions present. They fooled around at this and that, and treated our men courteously and garlanded them, and would have a friendly discussion on something or other. At length Bro. Miller did speak, and took occasion to tell them some straight facts—and he did it in a mighty voice, too, for among those people the strength of the argument is rated in proportion to the strength of the lungs. But to no purpose, and rather than anger them or drive them to further underhandedness our men courteously excused themselves at opportunity and went out. Then the work proceeded rapidly. The faithful Christians were brought before the meeting and urged to recant and live in peace. But they testified that they intended to stay with Christ at all costs.

That meant then that in future they could expect no treatment but abuse and oppression—not only no help, but no right to get help. For if any neighbor would venture to buy or sell or deal with a Christian, he would have a crushing fine to pay or else himself be treated as a Christian and boycotted. The rabbit population could not resist an order like that, so all obeyed. And so no children could come to school. And no Christian can live unless he has independent means. There was a threat not to let them draw water, but that was not enforced, as the government draws the line at that point, or at physical violence, or poisoning.

Bro. Puna has his own house, and he has a good ship and equipment; but about ten men are required as a crew, and no one dare help. Even if he could catch fish on his own, he could not sell, and he will have to take good care that his ship is not stealthily destroyed. What he may do is an unsolved problem, but he is hoping ardently that he may stay there and weather the storm, until the persecution is relaxed. Damodar Master lives on mission property, with salary, but he can get supplies only from a distance, at great trouble. Bro. Buddha has no house, and it being impossible for him to live with his relatives, we provided for him to flee with his family to Bulsar and attend Bible School.

Poor Sukkar's wife despaired and became Hindu. He hoped to win her back again, but instead, the Arya man settled upon him while the rest kept him penned within the house, and for two days argued and browbeat him until he was so broken and half conscious that he told them to go ahead and have done with it. So they performed his shuddhi, or "purification," at once. He is not permitted to speak with the Christians, but his heart is still with Jesus, and he is pining away with remorse at having denied his Lord, and grief at the hopeless circumstances he is in. His brother had a somewhat similar experience. I talked and prayed with Sukkar on the shore at night on the 17th, and told him that he can come back like Peter did. If he can not stand the oppression, he can flee. He still hopes to win his wife, for if he leaves her now, she is lost. These people all need our most earnest prayers.

It seems a bit strange that such things can happen today; especially, as in the adjoining county of Bardoli the people are suffering grievous oppression from the government, and the outcry is resounding throughout all India and the world.

Navsari.

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Not in splendid isolation, but in Christlike coöperation.

Not merely in the calm assertion of rights, but in the glad assumption of duties.

Not merely in matters material, but in things of the spirit.

Notes From the Fields

CHINA NOTES

Compiled by Lulu U. Coffman

North and South China unified at last; a splendid constructive program being worked out; railroad service through to Shansi; missionary families at last able to return to their field of work! We rejoice in it all and pray that it may last, not only for the sake of the work that we love, but even more so for the sake of the suffering, war-weary people of China.

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Pingting

Things happen quickly in China sometimes. A few weeks ago we called a meeting of the Educational Managing Committee, and it was to be followed by the Chinese-Foreign Executive committee meeting. Before we were fully ready for the meeting the time came. The members of the committees arrived from the other stations, and to our agreeable surprise Mr. Seese and Mr. Flory from Peking came suddenly into our place. We were glad to see them and to have them with us in these very important meetings. The educational work was planned for another year. Most of the teachers were invited and assignments for work were made.

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We had about three days of strenuous committee meetings. After the educational and executive committee meetings were out of the way we had a meeting of the Foreign Field Committee, and passed upon some matters that were still to be disposed of by the foreign body. It is such a relief to see that the work of the distinctly foreign group is growing less, and that the joint group is taking the responsibility.

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It is a source of real joy to see that the Chinese leadership is beginning to assume responsibility along with the foreigners, and they seem to enjoy their new obligations. The foreigners are mighty glad to see them struggling with some of their own tasks, and in most cases they are finding workable solutions.

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Our Junior Middle School is to be encouraged to make the life of the school helpful in every way to the students. We are not going to spread over so much ground, but want to do more thoroughly the work we go over. It was thought best to omit the fourth year, or what has come to be known as the first year of the Higher Middle School. Our teaching force is to be about the same for the three years as it has been for the four, and in this way we hope to do a better grade of work.

For nearly two years the Educational Committee or Board has been made up of folks not connected directly with the distinctly educational work. This helps to coordinate all departments, for now we have doctors and evangelists to help bring the educational work into a better relation with all of the rest of the work. The board also has representatives from all of the stations, and here again we are seeking to unify the work of the various stations. The board is taking the work of coördination seriously and there surely will be results.

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About a month ago our tent at Pingting started out in fine spirits. The group to be in the tent were enthusiastic. They had been going on for about a week, when suddenly war clouds drew so near that firing could be heard. An airplane flew over not so far away and dropped some bombs, and the people became so excited that the tent had to be taken down. The village people feared that the tent might be mistaken for an army camp by the airplane, and then they would be shelled, so we were compelled to take down the tent and stop work for a time. The people are so busy these days, waiting on the soldiers and paying for their upkeep, that they have no time to listen to the preaching of the Gospel. Our country evangelism is almost at a standstill. The town is so full of soldiers that we can hardly get out in the town to do any really constructive work. Still we go on quietly and keep the personal work idea before our workers as much as we can.

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Our Sunday services are well attended, and many of the soldiers come in and listen through the entire service. Pray for us as we try to hold together and add to our numbers.

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Liao Chou

A love feast was held in the Liao church on May 6, with more than sixty in attendance. Brethren Oberholtzer and Flory were present and the latter officiated at the meeting.

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There will not be a summer conference in Liao this summer, but three delegates or workers will attend the Leaders' Conference at Yutaiho. Miss Senger and Bro. Crumpacker also expected to attend this conference.

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Miss Shock and a number of her schoolgirls have had a siege of mumps.

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More than thirty patients have been in the hospital most of this month. At one time there were thirty-six.

Dr. Coffman gives a little word picture of their work in the country: Our party: nurse, doctor and a carrier outfit; a few blankets and quilts, dressings, tooth forceps, scalpel, probe, scissors, forceps, and some medicines. Route: one county seat and two market towns about thirteen miles apart. Travel: about half the time, making four visits a month to one place and three to the other, and having our headquarters for the remainder of the time at the third. Names of the places: "Elm City," "Gathering Place of the Clouds," and "Old Town." Our specialties: tooth extraction, ringworm of the scalp, and intestinal worms, which are beyond the skill of the native practitioner, whose usual method is acupuncture, which is obviously poor treatment for these diseases or any other, for that matter. Our sorrows: patients who refuse to go to the hospital, and die before our next trip; pulmonary tuberculosis, for which we have no adequate provision anywhere; men who love money more than their wives and children. Our joys: the birds and the flowers by the wayside; reading the biweekly mail, and association with a yellow brother who preaches a "foursquare" Gospel and practices what he preaches. Our pastimes: "botanizing," caroms, and Chinese etymology. Our problems: how to convince people that we cannot work miracles; how to make one dollar do the work of two, and how to make the ends of two crooked chopsticks meet properly. Our best advertisement: a cured patient.

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Taiyuan

The English night school still continues as before, but the number of students has decreased (probably because of the hot weather). We are still doing much work in the military hospital for wounded soldiers, but all the soldiers with whom we associated before have returned to their original places, and those with whom we are now working are all the newly-arrived wounded soldiers. Mr. Su and I (Pastor Li) sometimes take with us the picture-lamp (stereopticon), and most of the soldiers are very much interested in looking at the pictures. We borrowed this lamp from the Baptists, but we hope that we'll have one in the future.

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Mrs. Chang also is very busy, and the women attendance of the Sunday service has much increased. The girls' school is planning a special parents' meeting and hope for a good attendance. Mrs. Chang has also the responsibility of the work while Pastor Li has gone to his home in Shantung for a short vacation. She is constantly teaching in the homes and has several students who are much interested. When the pastor returns several women are to be baptized. More than ten men recently were baptized. Over twenty women attended a recent mothers' meeting. Part of the program was a play given by eighteen of the girls' school students.

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AFRICA

Garkida for May

Lola Helser

The moonlight services in Garkida were well attended. Three of the Christian boys and Sister Shisler led in the services. All entered into the singing with enthusiasm. One evening Sister Shisler in her sermon touched a responsive chord in a boy's heart. After the sermon he asked to speak. He arose and earnestly pled with his people to renounce their sins and follow Jesus. Those who have learned to know their Savior never grow tired of telling the story of Jesus and of their faith and convictions.

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"Other [seed] fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit." The Gospel seems to be taking hold of some of the hearts of our Bura people as never before. Young women and young married men and women are becoming interested in the Christian religion in spite of opposition from most of their elders. Just recently twenty-one made their public stand for Christ. This number includes five married men, three married women, and four young women of nearly marriageable age. Several older married women seem interested in the step their daughters are taking. There are nearly one hundred in the afternoon and evening Bible classes. The schoolboys who are working on their fathers' farms report that they are faithful in prayer each evening.

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Seven major operations were performed during the month of May. All of these were successful. Many men, women, and children came from West Bura for smallpox vaccinations. In all, 224 were vaccinated. The leper work is increasing, 112 treatments being given. There were 9 new eye cases during the month. In the tropics especially one needs to take extra precautions against intestinal parasites. There were 14 new cases in the hospital in one month. The medical tours are proving worth-while; 142 treatments were given in outlying villages during the month. The total number of treatments was 2,196. Many of the hospital patients attend the regular Sunday services. Besides the regular week-day services at the hospital, one of the Christian boys spends part time in special evangelistic efforts at the hospital.

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Upon the return of Dr. Gibbel and the Helsers from Dille, Sisters Harper and Shisler left for a two weeks' rest from the daily routine of the work at the station.

The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

Missionary News

Missionaries Returning to Their Fields

Emma Horning and J. Homer Bright and wife were scheduled to sail for China on the S. S. Empress of Asia, leaving Vancouver. B. C., August 16.

Ernest Wampler and wife and Mary Cline are expected to sail on the S. S. Empress of Asia, leaving Vancouver, B. C., October 11.

Anna Hutchison will return to China via the eastern route. She will take the opportunity of stopping in the Holy Land and at our India Mission en route, and, in accordance with the General Mission Board's policy, will bear personally any expense over that of the direct route to her work. Sister Hutchison sails on the S. S. Providence, leaving New York City September 5.

The sailing of the India missionaries returning to their fields will be October 10.

William Beahm and wife sailed from Montreal on Aug. 15 for Africa. Clarence C. Heckman and wife are scheduled to sail for Africa Sept. 8 on the steamship Homeric, from New York City.

We wish these workers all the blessings God gives to his ambassadors, and pray that we at home may be good stewards, sustaining them in their work. We trust that other workers detained at home for want of funds may soon be enabled to return to their respective fields.

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California Oranges for Missions

At the recent La Verne Conference it was announced that a certain brother was going to contribute 100 boxes of oranges to missions. The oranges were put on sale to Conference delegates. The difficulty of transporting them home hindered their sale, so our good missionary-minded brother turned over the sale value of the oranges. One hundred boxes of oranges with, we should guess, about 175 golden, juicy balls of goodness in each, amounts to the magnificent total of 17,500 oranges. The money amounted to $377.54.

The cause of missions, the supreme work of the church, is fully worthy of the gift. In fact, the needs being so great would justify other similar gifts; for example, 17,500 golden ears of corn, or golden apples, or sheaves of wheat, or golden hours of time. Many folks cannot give so much, but the Lord has a way of taking even small gifts and multiplying them.

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Council of the Boards Meets September 25

The La Verne Conference discontinued the organization known as the Council of Promotion. In its place the several Boards, of which there are now four—General Mission Board, Board of Religious Education, General Education Board, and General Ministerial Board—will coöperate as a council. The several secretaries and editors employed by the Boards will act as a staff. They will carry on, under the direction of the Boards, the work that formerly was done by the Council of Promotion. At least a plan somewhat along these lines is contemplated, to grow out of the joint meeting of Boards announced for September 25.

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STEREOPTICON LECTURES

The Church of the Brethren, through the Missionary Education Department of the General Mission Board, maintains an Illustrated Lecture Service. The sets are all directly on, or related to, missions. Visual education is appreciated by folks everywhere. The throngs at the moving picture houses attest to the interest people have in pictures. These illustrated lectures portray life on the mission field, and say successfully by means of pictures that which we are unable to say with words.

Each of the sets has a lecture accompanying it. Any capable public speaker can use any of the sets. Most of them have approximately fifty pictures and also one or more illustrated songs. The slides are of the best workmanship, and those who have used them praise their beauty and suitability for our churches.

The Missionary Character of Christianity

About sixty slides, including a magnificent worship hymn. This lecture shows the essentially missionary character of the missionary religion. It is richly illustrated by biblical characters and of missionary personalities in our church.

Finding Our Brothers in Africa

Forty-one African pictures selected by Albert D. Helser. This set shows how our pioneer Africa missionaries selected a field and the beginnings of their work. African customs, manner of life and their religious practices are made very clear. The set does not cover all Africa, but particularly the Bura tribe, among whom our missionaries are at work. The closing part of the lecture makes a great appeal whether the African people will choose a devil shrine, a Mohammedan shrine, or the living Christ.

Christ the Hope of India

(About 70 pictures.) A beautiful story of the influence of Christian education on the lives of the boarding-school pupils and how they develop into Christian service.

Paganism to Christianity—China

A set on China, showing especially three things: the pagan background of the Chinese people, the methods of doing mission work, and the Chinese Christians who are toiling to advance the kingdom.

Friends of Many Firesides: A Children's Lecture

A set prepared for children. It contains fifty-four slides, besides two beautifully illustrated songs. The lecture begins with a worship program, including scripture reading, prayer and the song, "I Think When I Read that Sweet Story of Old." Then the children go on a journey around the world and learn the fine traits of other children. Upon returning from their journey they are introduced to the work of the Junior League in various parts of our Brotherhood.

The lecture is a master stroke in building strong missionary and world friendship foundations in the hearts of the children.

Rental Rates

The regular rental rate is $2 and return transportation charges. The slides should come prepaid to each user, who in turn should prepay them back to the General Mission Board or on to the next user, according to instructions.

Slides may be used **free** of rental in case a missionary offering is taken at the time of the showing and is sent to the General Mission Board with the rental bill which is sent out in each case. In this event all of the offering receives missionary credit and the rental charge is canceled.

In order that you may know the cost of shipping to various points we give the following approximate figures:

Destination	Set of Glass Slides
La Verne, Calif.	$2.25
Kansas City	.97
Dayton, Ohio	.56
Roanoke, Va.	.97
Philadelphia, Pa.	1.38

Unless other instructions are given, all slides should be returned by either express or parcel post (insured) to the General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill. The rental rates are made on the basis of one using. It is entirely satisfactory for you to use them as often as you can, provided you do not keep them longer than one week, and provided they are not delayed in reaching the next place for which they may be booked. Requests for slides should be made as far in advance as possible.

Group the Churches

To save transportation expenses it is advisable for a number of churches to plan to use the slides on the same circuit. Since some churches do not have a stereopticon, their problem can be solved by affiliation with other churches in the use of slides.

In some Districts the Board of Religious Education or the District secretary plans for the slides to be shown on a tour of the churches.

The Greene County Industrial School

The Church of the Brethren maintains a

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Mission Study Books for 1928-29

THE following list of books and picture materials is offered for mission study classes. In several cases more than one book is offered, so a choice may be made.

The methods of mission study are various. Here are several suggestions.

1. **A Church School of Missions.** Under this plan the whole church takes up mission study, dividing its constituency into several classes; usually into adults, young people, intermediates, juniors, and primaries. City churches often hold such a school for about six Wednesday evenings. Country churches succeed by having such a school on Sunday evenings. Sometimes the whole evening is used, but frequently only the period preceding the regular sermon hour.

2. **The Mission Study Class.** Where the whole church is not to be engaged in a School of Missions, a group of interested people may band together for the study of a certain theme or book.

3. **In the Women's Group.** Often the Sisters' Aid Society will have one of its number read from a mission book. Then as the group works at its sewing the members discuss the subject before them. Women's Missionary Societies may study a text in their regular monthly meetings.

4. **The Young People's Department.** The young people may take up the study, even though no other group arranges to do so.

The Church School of Missions plan seems best, because the whole church engages in the study. Sometimes this plan is not suitable, and so any other method that engages a part of the church in the study is desirable.

For Adults and Older Young People

The New Africa (American edition), by Donald Fraser, secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the United Free Church of Scotland; pioneer missionary in Nyasaland; author of "The Future of Africa," "Winning of a Primitive People," etc.

An American edition of the most recent study book issued by the United Council for Missionary Education in Great Britain. Shows the changes that have come into African life through the penetration of Africa by western influences, and presents in a challenging manner the facts regarding the Christian movement today and the needs for tomorrow.

Cloth, $1; paper, 60 cents. "Suggestions to Leaders," 15 cents.

For Women's Groups

Friends of Africa, by Jean Kenyon Mackenzie, formerly a missionary in Africa, author of "African Adventurers," "An African Trail," "African Clearings," etc.

Shows the great needs of Africa. The author is a writer of rare ability and an authority on Africa. Prepared especially for use by societies of women and girls.

Cloth 75 cents; paper, 50 cents.

For Adults and Young People

Reaching the World Through America, by W. J. Hamilton. This six-chapter Home Mission book has been written from the viewpoint of the Church of the Brethren. The aim has been to cover the general field of information needed on this subject for class use. As the title indicates, Home Missions are not promoted for their own sake alone, but that the world may be blessed by the message and life of Christ.

The book has already been used extensively in the Camp Harmony, Pa., groups. Paper, $1.

For Adults and Young People

What Next in Home Missions? by William P. Shriver, secretary of the Department of City, Immigrant and Industrial Work, Board of National Missions, Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., author of "Immigrant Forces," etc.

A general book presenting home missions today through descriptions of a number of typical enterprises and a reinterpretation of the home mission task in the light of the total Christian enterprise.

Cloth, $1; paper, 60 cents. "Suggestions to Leaders," 15 cents.

For Young People

Youth and the New America, by G. Bromley Oxnam, professor of Practical Theology Boston University School of Theology.

Planned especially for youth of high-school age. Presents home missions against the background of the whole Christian enterprise today, both in America and in other countries where America's influence is felt.

Cloth, $1; paper, 60 cents. "Suggestions to Leaders," 15 cents.

For Young People or Seniors

The Moffats, by Ethel Daniels Hubbard, author of "Ann of Ava."

A delightful reading book. Gives the lives of Robert and Mary Moffat, pioneer missionaries to Africa.

Cloth, $1; paper, 75 cents.

For Intermediates

Livingstone, the Pathfinder, by Basil Mathews.

The most popular biography of the great missionary explorer.

Cloth, $1; paper, 75 cents.

For Juniors

In the African Bush, by Jewel Huelster Schwab, a missionary in Cameroun.

A set of lessons based on a series of charming stories, both by the same author. There are many definite outlines for the class sessions, special services of worship and a cut-out sheet to serve as the basis of handwork.

Cloth, 75 cents.

Africa Picture Sheet (new).

A new picture sheet, consisting of twelve pages of interesting pictures, each with descriptive caption. Useful for posters, notebook, etc. 25 cents.

Picture Map of Africa, by Kathleen Voute.

Similar to the "Picture Maps of Latin America and North America." Consists of a large decorated map in outline accompanied by an insert sheet containing sketches to color, cut out, and paste on the map at the places indicated. 50 cents.

For Juniors or Primaries

Africa Picture Stories (new), by Lois Johnson McNeill, missionary in Africa.

Entirely new, both pictures and stories. Five large pictures and a pamphlet giving a story to tell about each picture. 50 cents.

For Beginners

Black and White, by Lucy W. Peabody, author of "Just Like You," etc.

The third in the "Everyland Children" series of stories for very little people. About David Livingstone and his black friend, Susi. Leatherette, 25 cents.

An African Picture Game. A sheet of colored figures to illustrate story. 40 cents.

For All Junior League Leaders

A new manual for your use has just been completed and is waiting to come to you. The Junior League year begins with October 1. This manual, which is in mimeograph form, contains approximately twenty-five pages. It covers the needs of your group on these points:

The Purpose of the Junior League
General Outline of the Program
How to Get Started
How to Plan the Program Week by Week
A Typical Program
For Primary Groups
For Your Library

In addition to this manual, there is a supplement for 1928-29, outlining this year's program somewhat in detail. The Junior League Missionary project for the year is explained.

If you wish to have this manual, together with the supplement, send your order, accompanied by ten cents, to the General Sunday School Board, Elgin, Ill. Get it before October 1!

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STEREOPTICON LECTURES

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splendid mission school in the mountains of Greene County, Virginia. Pictures have been taken of the various phases of school and mountain life. Considering the interest the members of the church have by virtue of their gifts to this school, the set has a real interest.

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CHRISTIAN INSTITUTION ASKS FOR NO INDEMNITY FOR LOSS OF PROPERTY

The board of directors of Nanking University in a recent session took an interesting and significant position on the matter of indemnities for loss of property. They

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The Women's Department

Conducted by Nora M. Rhodes
DALLAS CENTER, IOWA

African Girls Not Really Different

SARA SHISLER

Missionary to Africa

(To the Editor: Nearly every letter I receive from friends in the States contains questions such as these: "Are Bura girls lovable? How do they dress? Are they capable? Do they act like American children?" etc. The latter is asked most frequently.)

IF you were to visit the Garkida Girls' School you would be directed to a small, round mud house on the north end of the compound. You would see nothing striking about either house or equipment. That phase of our school is very ordinary indeed.

But there is one intensely interesting thing about the school—the girls. Your first sight of the school in session might disappoint you, for there are not many girls. As you know, every new thing starts from a small nucleus, especially something as new as a school for Bura girls. They are supposed to work, not go to school. If you measure success by numbers you would call the school a failure and conclude your visit.

If you expected to see a group of girls dressed in American clothes you would be disappointed again, because these are Bura girls who dress up, not by putting on clothes, but by painting or oiling their bodies and putting on beads and bracelets. They wear the minimum in actual clothes. We want to help our girls to become good, modest, Christian, Bura girls, not Americans. We want Christianity to clothe them, but according to and within their economic ability and resources.

Let us study the girls as they sit on their floor mats. Their black skin does not tell you anything excepting that you are seeing the negro in his setting. God made Africa for the black race, and it suits him just right. The harmony between the African and his environment is so perfect that there is no color consciousness in one's mind. These girls are really beautiful. Their

Photo by Sara Shisler

SOME OF OUR SCHOOL GIRLS AT GARKIDA

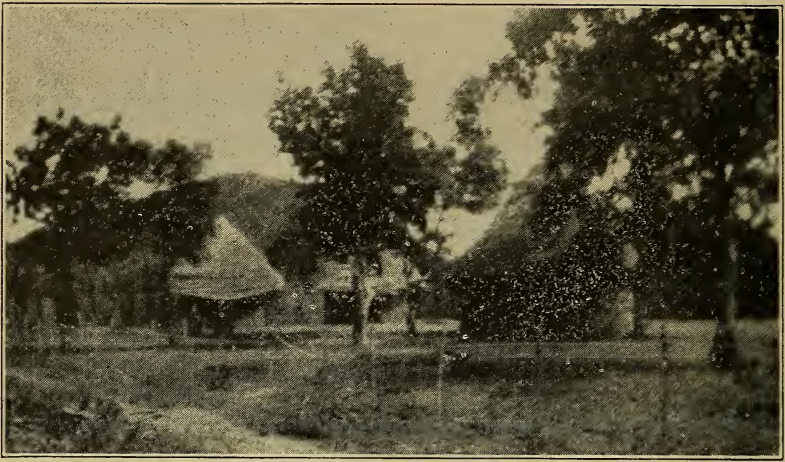


Photo by Sara Shisler

VIEW OF THE GIRLS' SCHOOL BUILDINGS. The building to the right is the schoolhouse. The other two are dormitory buildings.

bodies are erect; their skin shining; and their eyes so asking and expressive that they are irresistible. One does not need to try to love them, for one **just does.** They are very trying sometimes, but who is not? Sometimes they are disappointing, but who among us, that has had many more chances, is not?

Our Bura girls are not only attractive and lovable but capable. I have never taught or seen a group of American school-children make more rapid progress than our girls did this year. Several of them are exceptionally bright. On the whole, they take their work seriously, for they are terribly hungry for mind and soul food; and they seize their opportunity lest it pass. How their eyes sparkle and their faces shine when the sense of mastery dawns on them! It may be a new word which they thought difficult, but mastered without help; or it may be a Bible story which they discover they can tell well without the teacher's help, which gives them this keen satisfaction of realizing that they are growing.

Are they like American children? Yes; boys and girls here are like children at home. One might think that the great difference in environment and training might cause them to be different, but fundamentally they are the same. They laugh and cry, work and play, love and quarrel, tease and argue. They have taboos. The " cry baby " is not popular; neither is the tattler. They follow the leader. They have group spirit. They are polite. Even in an argument I have never heard them fail to use the word of address, " Friend." When they are insulted they sulk; when pleased, they smile; when amused, they laugh; when slighted, they are hurt.

Four more pupils of the Girls' school, three of them young married women and one girl, Kubali, about nine years old, have recently begun to follow Jesus. How we praise the Father for their response to the message! Several others had also decided, but weakene under the pressure of criticism and being laughed at. We pray that they may soon find enough courage to become deaf to opposing voices and follow him whom in their hearts they have chosen as Master.

We feel that this year's efforts have been abundantly worthwhile. Intensive work was possible such as may never again be possible as the school grows and we will be compelled to use teachers who are not trained but only pupils themselves.

We long for the time to come when hundreds of Bura girls shall be in school. This is only their right. It is what is necessary before Christ can claim the Bura tribe for his kingdom. They are worthy of our most earnest prayers and efforts, our best talent, our largest sacrifices. In educating them we are not handing anything down, only sharing what we have. May our sharing be done in justice and love.

THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY

Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

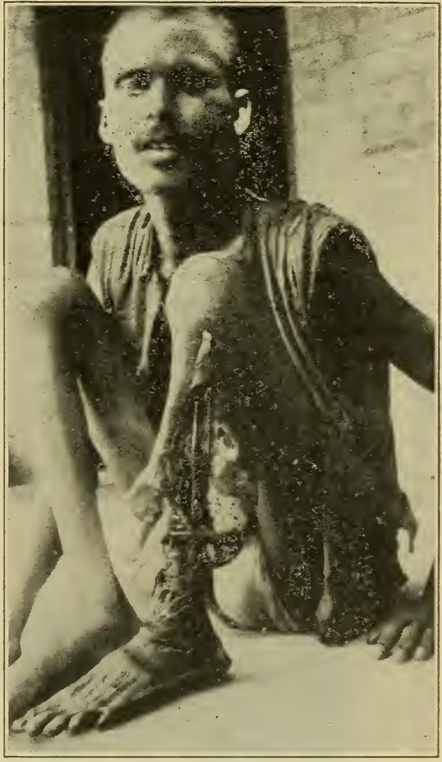
A Traveling Dispensary

ANETTA MOW

Missionary to India

The larger medical centers in India are a great blessing and doing splendid work. With their methods of diagnosis and equipment they can do much that the smaller hospitals cannot do. But the masses cannot be helped in this way for they are too poor to travel far for medicine and they are too superstitious and afraid to do so. They must be reached by the smaller dispensaries and hospitals which are scattered about over the country. Even these smaller institutions can only reach a small proportion of the people. Those who live at some distance from a dispensary often find it almost impossible to go there for medical help. They must either walk or go in a bullock cart. To ride in a springless bullock cart for some distance is a hardship for anyone and almost an impossibility for the sick. Added to these difficulties is the fear of the unlearned and the superstition of many jungle folk.

Because of these conditions it was felt that if the Dahanu Medical Mission could establish a touring dispensary, a great service might be rendered. This was made possible by the gift of a Ford to this work. The Ford was equipped for carrying medicines and other supplies and can easily be converted into an ambulance in which the sick can be carried very comfortably. The first trip was made in November, 1927. Along the way various stops were made and the people were informed that each week the motor would pass that way and on that day they could stop it and get medicines. It was not expected that the work would be very large the first year because it takes time to gain confidence. But the first season far exceeded what had been expected could be accomplished.

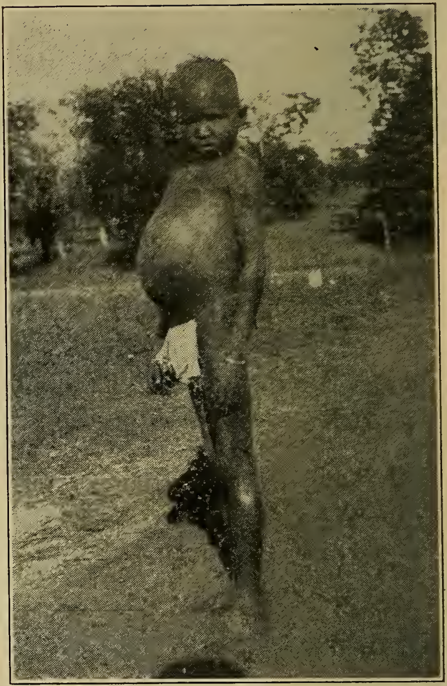


GANGRENE OF THE FOOT AND LEG. A case of one year's standing. As a result of infection and absorption of toxins over a long period of time the man's general condition was very bad. After amputation his condition improved rapidly and his face beamed with joy and gratitude.

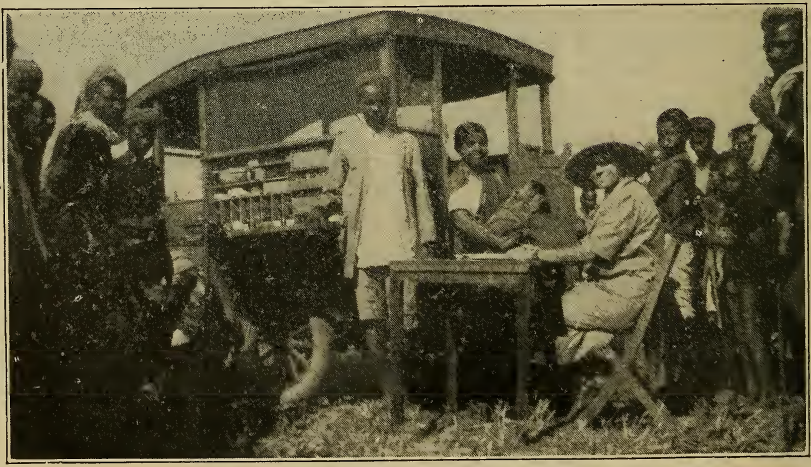
The work was carried on for about three months and during that time eighteen hundred patients were benefited by the motor. The plan carried out was, leaving Dahanu early each Wednesday morning, the motor would go out to a country bazaar about fifteen miles from here. Large crowds of people assemble there to buy food, clothing, jewels and sweets which the merchants from a neighboring town sell in the little booths set up on the bazaar ground. The news spread quickly that the Ford was carrying medicines and almost as soon as it arrived the people crowded around, each one wanting his name written first and his prescription filled first. Sometimes it looked as though a policeman was needed to maintain order. The motor would stop there for about three hours and during that time sometimes medicines would be given out to more than one hundred patients. This does not permit much examination of patients but with the limited force and equipment, treatment cannot be as scientific as one might wish; however, many of the cases are so evident that there is little difficulty of diagnosis.

Leaving this bazaar in the early afternoon, the motor went on another ten miles, treating people along the way. The night was spent in a government bungalow and on Thursday morning another bazaar was attended and in the afternoon the party returned to Dahanu.

Many people were benefited physically; many hopeless cases, especially blindness, came and they had to be told that it was too late to do anything; many heard the Gospel story and many friendships were formed. Many patients showed burns on their bodies which they had hoped would cure their ills; when asked what benefit there was from



REPEATED ATTACKS OF MALARIA which has been untreated, malnutrition and other poor living conditions combine to make children weak, a ready prey to succeeding attacks of malaria or other fevers. So they become anemic, with enlarged spleens and large protruding abdomens, and thin emaciated bodies. It is no wonder they are "slow and lazy."



DR. IDA METZGER AND THE DISPENSARY FORD

these burns they would say "None at all." Often they smile, as if they had not expected any benefit, still they knew of nothing else to do and they thought they must do something.

The motor brought in three motherless babes to be cared for by the mission. It is the hope that these little mites will grow up to be strong Christian characters with a vision for service which will lead them back to their jungle villages to preach the glad tidings in a way in which a white faced messenger could never bring it.

The work had to stop for the hot season and the rainy season. But it is hoped that next year it can be carried on on a larger scale.

Three Miles of Junior Church Leaguers

If the more than three thousand boys and girls working to bring health to India were to join hands they would form a row over three miles long. The Lord needs all of these workers and they are going to leave a wonderful impression on India this year. Reports from India indicate that the work done for India's Dahanu Hospital in 1926 by the children has left a deep impression. The testimony of how the Brethren children in America love the children in India will never be forgotten. This year we are again remembering the Indian people.

More Workers Needed

Will all the Junior Church Leaguers tell their friends in other churches that India needs their help? This India project continues throughout this year. It is not too late to join.

First, write General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., for leaflet explaining the 1928 Project for Our Brown Brothers.

Second, inspire your whole class or all children's classes in your school to earn money for this cause.

Third, do your best to earn all you can.

Fourth, mail your money to General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., and say that it is for Junior League Project, 1928.

Fifth, send a short story how your group earned its money; also a picture at your work. The story and picture will be used in the Missionary Visitor.

Sixth, all workers who earn $4 or more are entitled to the Missionary Visitor for a year if they request it. Several children in the same home whose combined gifts amount to $4 are entitled to one subscription for the home.

MISSIONARY PROJECT WORKERS

From July 9 to August 10, the following new groups of workers have been enrolled. The children of the church are working for their Indian brothers by supplying the funds necessary for the India medical work. The young people are supplying funds for the India evangelistic work.

These projects continue to the end of this year. More groups, especially young people's groups, are needed. A leaflet explaining the work will be sent upon request. All you need to do to enroll is to state how many workers are in your group, and that you intend to earn some money by which you can furnish funds to support the project.

Congregation	J. C. L.	Y. P. D.
Previously reported	3,378	1,591
Northern Illinois		
Polo	30	20
Northern Indiana		
Elkhart City	20	
Southern Ohio		
Eaton (Upper Twin)	15	
Lower Miami	38	
Western Pennsylvania		
Georges Creek (Fairview House	30	

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"Who in Europe does not know that one more war in the West, and the civilization of the ages will fall with as great a shock as that of Rome?"—Stanley Baldwin, British Prime Minister, 1926.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1928. As of July 31, 1928, the Conference (Budget) for the year ending February 28, 1929, stands as follows:

Cash received since March 1, 1928	$121,894.94
(The 1928 Budget of $389,000.00 is 31.3% raised, whereas it should be 41.6%.)	
Income since March 1, 1928	$124,325.54
Income same period last year	131,770.09
Expense since March 1, 1928	125,462.02
Expense same period last year	155,902.17
Mission deficit July 31, 1928	98,541.12
Mission deficit June 30, 1928	125,933.08
Decrease in deficit for July, 1928	27,391.96

Tract Distribution: During the month of June the Board sent out 645 doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 8: See July, 1928, Visitor, under World Wide Missions Fund, Credit of $133.09 from Olivet Cong., N. E. Ohio, should instead be for the support of A. D. Helser, Africa.

Correction No. 9: See August, 1928, Visitor under World Wide Missions, credit of $19.78 to Quemahoning Cong., W. Pa., is for support of Esther Beahm, Africa.

June Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during June:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

California—$741.60

No. Dist., Cong.: Butte Valley, $2.77; S. S.: McFarland, $23.44; Indv.: B. S. Musselman, $5.00, ...$ 31.21

So. Dist., Cong.: Covina, $648.10; Hermosa Beach, $24.19; S. L. Gross & Wife (Santa Ana), $10; Indv.: J. H. Huff, $7.10; M. Grace Miller, $21, ... 710.39

Colorado—$36.64

E. Dist., Cong.: Haxtun, $31.64; Geo. W. Sell (Denver), $5, ... 36.64

Florida—$22.76

Cong.: Lakeland, $7.22; Seneca, $7.71; S. S.: Seneca, $5.83; Y. P. D.: Seneca, $2, ... 22.76

Idaho—$20.00

Cong.: Weiser, ... 20.00

Illinois—$666.66

No. Dist., Cong.: Batavia, $43.85; Dixon, $7.46; Elgin, $30.58; Freeport, $6.25; Mrs. W. W. Lehman (Dixon), $1; A Member (Polo), $400; S. S.: Batavia, $4.03; Franklin Grove, $4.86; Milledgeville, $16.94; Sterling, $8.62, .. 523.59

So. Dist., Cong.: Cerro Gordo, $49.44; Tony B. Gerhart (Allison Prairie), $50; Harvey G. Lehman (Canton), $5; Clara Steiner (Champaign), $5; Harry Boror (Hurricane Creek), $4; Ben Moreland (Oak Grove), $5; Ira Moreland (Oak Grove), $4; Panther Creek, $8.78; Chas. Daniels (Romine), $5; S. S.: Allison Prairie, $5.85, ... 143.07

Indiana—$616.61

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Andrews, $26.80; Wabash County, $5; Walton, $22.45; South Whitley, $14; I. Bruce Book (M. N.) (Manchester), $.50; S. S.: Loon Creek, $15; Bethany Class, Peru, $35, ... 118.75

No. Dist., Cong.: Auburn, $10; Blue River, $5; Second South Bend, $25; Union Center, $150; Walnut, $34.64; Yellow Creek, $101.55; Chas. C. Cripe (M. N.) (Bremen), $.50 .... 326.69

So. Dist., Cong.: $140.17; Lora Belzer (Arcadia), $2; Clarence E. Mosbaugh, (Arcadia), $5; J. R. Rinehart (Arcadia), $5; Sam Sexton (Arcadia), $2; C. H. Smeltzer (Arcadia), $4; Frank Davis (Kokomo), $4; C. C. Harshbarger (Ladoga), $5; Charlie Taylor (Sampson Hill), $4, ... 171.17

Iowa—$239.35

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Ankeny, $35.05; Cedar, $73,28; C. Z. Reitz (Maxwell), $15.25; S. S.: Bagley, $1.29; Pleasant View (Cedar), $2.55, 127.42

So. Dist., Cong.: Ottumwa, $43.73; So. Keokuk, $58.20; J. Mitchell Graham & Wife (Council Bluffs), $10, ... 111.93

Kansas—$142.02

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Ottawa, $51.39; Rock Creek, $7.75; Geo. R. Eller (M. N.) (Calvary), $.50; S. S.: Washington, $8.20, ... 67.84

N. W. Dist., Cong.: Victor, ... 50.00

S. W. Dist., Cong.: F. E. Marchand (M. N.) (McPherson), $.50; Mrs. Lizzie A. Lehman (Newton), $5; S. S.: Monitor, $18.68, .. 24.18

Louisiana—$11.84

Cong.: Rosepine, $4.40; S. S.: Roanoke, $7.44, ... 11.84

Maryland—$831.75

E. Dist., Cong.: Baltimore, First, $125.21; Bush Creek, $200; Locust Grove, $20.44; Long Green Valley, $159.21; Thurmont, $18.50; H. H. Hollinger (Washington City), $25; Nettie M. Kanost (Washington City), $10; S. S.: Pleasant Hill (Bush Creek), $10; Westminster (Meadow Branch), $20.12; Blue Ridge College (Pipe Creek), $29.45, .. 617.93

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Broadfording, $171.50; Welsh Run, $40, ... 211.50

W. Dist., Cong.: Georges Creek, ... 2.32

Michigan—$13.65

Cong.: Zion, $3.86; S. J. Burger (M. N.) (Battle Creek), $.50; S. S.: Grand Rapids, $9.29, ... 13.65

Minnesota—$56.28

S. S.: Guthrie, $5.28; Y. P. C. W. S.: Root River, $50; Indv.: Mrs. John W. Boles, $1.00, ... 56.28

Missouri—$84.64

Mid. Dist., S. S.: Happy Hill, $17; Indv.: John T. Forehand and wife, $10, ... 27.00

No. Dist., Cong.: No. Bethel, $29.19; No. St. Joseph, $7.25; South St. Joseph, $16.20; Kate Shirkey (Rockingham), $5, ... 57.64

Nebraska—$22.42

Cong.: Enders, $13.20; Octavia, $6.40; S. S.: Lincoln, $2.82, ... 22.42

New Mexico—$105.50

Cong.: W. R. Hornbaker and Family (Clovis), ... 105.50

North Carolina—$7.00

Cong.: New Haven, ... 7.00

North Dakota—$52.81

Cong.: Surrey, $45; S. S.: Egeland, $7.81, 52.81

Ohio—$1,866.45

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Akron, $292.70; Ashland City, $12; E. Chippewa, $13.63; Mohican, $12; Portage, $3.39; Wooster, $100; Zion Hill, $4; H. W. Maude, and Paul Martin (Ashland), $200; Unknown Donor (Mohican), $1, 638.72

N. W. Dist., Cong.: County Line, $40.90; Dupont, $43; Fairview, $10.16, ... 94.06

So. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $259.51; Beech Grove, $46; Castine, $3.46; Lower Miami, $73.25; Lower Stillwater, $91; Oakland, $235.85; Painter Creek, $3; Pitsburg, $174;

Pleasant Valley, $12.80; Eaton (Upper Twin), $11.25; X. L. Coppock (M. N.) (Greenville), $.50; Ralph K. Miller and Wife, (Oakland), $125; Essie Stoner (Sidney), $5; D. K. Brubaker, (West Dayton), $4; S. S.: Bethel (Salem), $50.14; Georgetown, $30; Young Ladies' Class, Georgetown, $9, ... 1,133.67

Oklahoma—$147.20
Cong.: Washita, $138.50; J. Appleman (M. N.) (Thomas), $1; Indv.: Bertha Ryan Shirk, $7.70, ... 147.20

Pennsylvania—$2,974.54
E. Dist., Cong.: E. Fairview, $40; Unknown Donor (Elizabethtown), $1; B. F. Hoffman (Harrisburg), $25; S. S.: Annville, $36; So. Annville (Annville), $28.19; E. Fairview, $12; Ephrata, $20.41; Lansdale (Hatfield), $25.56; Indian Creek, $28.87; Lebanon (Midway), $50.77; Mountville, $9.92; Reading, $25.79; Schubert (Little Swatara), $10; Ziegler's (Little Swatara), $5.51; Shomo All Day Meeting, Little Swatara, $4.08, ... 323.10

Mid. Dist., Cong.: 28th St. Altoona, $25; Cherry Lane, $6.11; Lewistown, $58.68; Riddlesburg, $7.30; Spring Run, $66.92; Pine Glen Arm (Spring Run), $19.67; Stonerstown, $17; Williamsburg, $51.24; Women's Missy. Soc., First Altoona, $3; S. S.: Germany Valley (Aughwick), $12.16; Sugar Run (Aughwick), $2.50; Maitland (Dry Valley), $7; Spring Run, $38.77; Spring Mount (Warriors Mark), $40.62; Curryville (Woodbury), $7.22; Replogle (Woodbury), $22; Yellow Creek, $8.77; Aid Soc.: New Enterprise, $100, ... 493.96

S. E. Dist., Cong.: Ambler, $50.81; First Brooklyn, $80; Parkerford, $100; S. S.: Norristown, $7.53; Quakertown (Springfield), $34.01, ... 272.35

So. Dist., Cong.: Codorus, $130.51; Hanover, $130; New Fairview, $100; Newville, $15.55; Three Springs (Perry), $65.65; Mary E. Bixler (York), $2; S. S.: Brands (Back Creek), $3.22; Pleasant Hill (Codorus), $2.54; Wide Awake Class, Brown's Mill (Falling Spring), $2.50; Mechanicsburg, $6.23; Melrose (Upper Codorus), $8.53, ... 466.73

W. Dist., Cong.: Walnut Grove (Johnstown), $950; Ligonier, $75; Locust Grove, $32; Manor, $81.25; Maple Glen, $50; Penn Run, $48.71; Rockwood, $12.34; Roxbury, $50; Rummel, $64.28; Elizabeth Carroll (Connellsville), $35; A Brother and Wife (Maple Grove, Johnstown), $5; Galen K. Walker (M. N.) (Johnstown), $1; S. S.: Beachdale (Berlin), $2; Red Bank, $3.82; Greenville (Rockton), $4; Indv.: Mrs. Annie Link, $4, ... 1,418.40

South Dakota—$.80
Indv.: E. F. Atwood, ... .80

Tennessee—$6.25
Cong.: Limestone, ... 6.25

Virginia—$60.61
E. Dist., S. S.: Richmond, ... 5.00

No. Dist., Cong.: Linville Creek, $20; Woodstock, $6.15; Mrs. Geo. G. Hoover (Woodstock), $4, ... 30.15

Sec. Dist., Cong.: Crummit Run, $3.45; Elk Run, $12.01, ... 15.46

So. Dist., Cong.: Texas Shapel, ... 10.00

Washington—$11.00
Cong.: D. B. Eby (M. N.) (Olympia), $1; No. 102063 (Olympia), $10, ... 11.00

West Virginia—$30.45
First Dist., Cong.: Tearcoat, ... 15.45

Sec. Dist., Cong.: D. E. Martin (Valley River), $5; Hallie Row (Valley River), $5; Zeta Row (Valley River), $5, ... 15.00

Wisconsin—$11.20
Cong.: Maple Grove, $2; S. S.: Chippewa Valley, $3.80; Stanley, $5.40, ... 11.20

Total for the month, ...$ 8,780.03
Total previously reported, ... 10,570.87

$19,350.90

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Total for the year, ...$19,198.03

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND 1927-28

Africa—$10.00
Indv.: Clara Harper, ...$ 10.00

Illinois—$211.00
No. Dist., Student Volunteers of Bethany Bible School, $144.50; Student Volunteers of Mt. Morris College, $66.50, ... 211.00

Pennsylvania—$628.95
E. Dist., Student Volunteers of Elizabethtown College, ... 146.90

Mid. Dist., Student Volunteers of Juniata College, ... 482.05

Virginia—$36.50
Sec. Dist., Student Volunteers of Bridgewater College, ... 36.50

Total for the month, ...$ 886.45
Total previously reported, ... 270.50

Total for the year, ...$ 1,156.95

AID SOCIETY MISSION FUND—1927

California—$43.30
No. Dist., Aid Societies, $28.10; Laton, $15.20, ...$ 43.30

Indiana—$137.00
So. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 137.00

Missouri—$53.25
Mid. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 53.25

Ohio—$145.00
N. W. Dist., Aid Soc.: Fostoria, ... 25.00

So. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 120.00

Virginia—$292.00
Sec. Dist., Aid Societies, $178; Middle River, $20, ... 198.00

So. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 94.00

Washington—$118.60
Aid Societies, ... 118.60

Total for the month, ...$ 789.15
Total previously reported, ... 2,702.77

Total for the year, ...$ 3,491.92

HOME MISSIONS

Maryland—$10.00
W. Dist., Cong.: C. H. Merrill and Wife (Cherry Grove), ...$ 10.00

Missouri—$28.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Broadwater, ... 28.00

Ohio—$75.75
So. Dist., Aid Societies, ... 75.75

Texas—$3.00
Indv.: Maria C. Smeltzer, ... 3.00

Total for the month, ...$ 116.75
Total previously reported, ... 389.61

Total for the year, ...$ 506.36

HOME MISSIONS SHARE PLAN

Indiana—$25.00
Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Manchester, ...$ 25.00

Ohio—$20.00
E. Dist., Missionary Aid Soc., Zion Hill, 20.00

N. Washington—$25.00
Aid Soc.: Tacoma, ... 25.00

Total for the month, ...$ 70.00
Total previously reported, ... 240.00

Total for the year, ...$ 310.00

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

Washington—$15.00	
D. V. B. S.: Wenatchee Valley,	$ 15.00
Total for the month,	$ 15.00
Total previously reported,	134.92
Total for the year,	$ 149.92

FOREIGN MISSIONS

Iowa—$9.34	
No. Dist., Cong.: Curlew,	$ 9.34
Kansas—$65.10	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Holland,	62.10
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. I. G. Harris, Elinore and Ora (Osage),	3.00
Ohio—$53.40	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Clara Woods (Black River), $4; Simeon Longanecker (Zion Hill), $5,	9.00
N. W. Dist., Cong.: County Line,	40.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Middletown,	4.40
Pennsylvania—$395.40	
E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Uriah L. Binner (Midway),	10.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Ambler, $28.90; First Philadelphia, $356.60,	385.40
Sweden—$30.87	
Congregations,	30.87
Total for the month,	$ 554.11
Total previously reported,	490.89
Total for the year,	$ 1,045.00

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1927

California—$6.27	
So. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept., Inglewood,	$ 6.27
Iowa—$25.00	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Bluebird Class, Panther Creek,	25.00
Pennsylvania—$19.31	
W. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Rummel,	19.31
Total for the month,	$ 50.58
Total previously reported,	283.06
Total for the year,	$ 333.64

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1928

California—$52.29	
No. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept., Raisin City, $6.08; D. V. B. S.: Laton, $7,	$ 13.08
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept., Calvary,	39.21
Idaho—$26.92	
D. V. B. S.: Nampa,	26.92
Indiana—$1.84	
No. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept., Cedar Creek,	1.84
Iowa—$2.50	
So. Dist., S. S.: Children's Division, Salem,	2.50
Kansas—$2.00	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. I. G. Harris, Elinore and Ora (Osage),	2.00
North Dakota—$1.00	
S. S.: Beginners' Class, Kenmare,	1.00
Ohio—$20.35	
N. E. Dist., Junior C. W. S., New Philadelphia,	2.35
So. Dist., S. S.: Primary Dept., West Milton,	18.00
Pennsylvania—$41.59	
W. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, Pittsburgh,	41.59
Total for the month,	$ 148.49
Total previously reported,	129.89
Total for the year,	$ 278.38

B. Y. P. D. FUND—1928

Canada—$15.43	
B. Y. P. D.: Irricana,	$ 15.43
Florida—$15.00	
B. Y. P. D.: Sebring,	15.00
Illinois—$54.33	
No. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Lanark, $45.50; Rockford, $7.18; S. S.: Young People's Class, Shannon, $1.65,	54.33
Indiana—$24.38	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Live Wire Class," Wabash County,	5.00
No. Dist., Y. P. D.: Bethany Willing Workers Young People, Bethany,	19.38
Iowa—$23.00	
So. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Council Bluffs, $10; Mt. Etna, $13,	23.00
Kansas—$5.00	
N. E. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Ottawa,	5.00
Louisiana—$5.50	
B. Y. P. D.: Roanoke,	5.50
Maryland—$80.35	
E. Dist., Cong.: Denton, $25; S. S.: Young Men's Bible Class (Washington City), $12.50; C. W. S.: Frederick, $25,	62.50
Mid. Dist., S. S.: The W. W. Class, Pleasant View, $12; B. Y. P. D.: Pleasant View, $5.85,	17.85
Michigan—$10.00	
B. Y. P. D.: Detroit,	10.00
Missouri—$5.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: Young People's Class, No. St. Joseph,	5.00
Ohio—$13.85	
N. E. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Center,	13.85
Oregon—$5.00	
Cong.: Portland,	5.00
Pennsylvania—$16.20	
Mid. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Leamersville, $10; Spring Run, $6.20,	16.20
Washington—$4.05	
B. Y. P. D.: Sunnyside,	4.05
Total for the month,	$ 277.09
Total previously reported,	377.45
Total for the year,	$ 654.54

INDIA MISSION

Florida—$5.22	
S. S.: Primary Class, Seneca,	$ 5.22
Kansas—$7.47	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Washington Creek,	7.47
Ohio—$22.20	
So. Dist., Cong.: West Milton,	22.20
Pennsylvania—$46.36	
E. Dist., S. S.: Richland,	10.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Rockhill (Aughwick),	11.36
W. Dist., Cong.: Pittsburgh,	25.00
Virginia—$5.00	
First Dist., Cong.: W. E. Lintecum, (Crab Orchard),	5.00
Total for the month,	$ 86.25
Total previously reported,	853.79
Total for the year,	$ 940.04

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Florida—$10.00	
Indv.: J. E. Young,	$ 10.00
Total for the month,	$ 10.00
Total previously reported,	250.00
Total for the year,	$ 260.00

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

California—$25.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: J. B. Emmert (La Verne),	$ 25.00

Missouri—$5.58	
No. Dist., D. V. B. S. near Tarkio, ...	5.58
Pennsylvania—$61.25	
E. Dist., Aid Soc.: West Green Tree, ...	26.25
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Huntingdon, ...	35.00
Total for the month, ...$	91.83
Total previously reported, ...	339.25
Total for the year, ...$	431.08

INDIA SHARE PLAN

California—$25.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: Dorcas Class, Calvary, ..$	25.00
Indiana—$50.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: O. E. Price and Wife (Plymouth), $25; S. S.: Mrs. Rose Shively and S. S. Class, Plymouth, $25, ...	50.00
Maryland—$125.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: First Baltimore, $50; Berean Bible Class, Blue Ridge College (Pipe Creek), $25; Aid Soc.: Westminster (Meadow Branch), $50, ...	125.00
Ohio—$56.25	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Gleaners Class, Springfield, $6.25; S. S. and C. W. S.: Canton City, $50, ...	56.25
Pennsylvania—$222.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: Ridgely, $9; S. S.: "Character Builders" Class, Midway, $13; "Ever Faithful Bible Class," Skippack (Mingo), $25, ...	47.00
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Golden Rule Class, Lewistown, ...	25.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Free Spring (Lost Creek), ...	50.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Walnut Grove (Johnstown), ...	100.00
Total for the month, ...$	478.25
Total previously reported, ...	1,266.38
Total for the year, ...$	1,744.63

INDIA HOSPITALS

Pennsylvania—$10.00	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Huntingdon, ...$	10.00
Total for the month, ...$	10.00
Total previously reported, ...	35.67
Total for the year, ...$	45.67

INDIA MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$1,380.14	
So. Dist., La Verne Cong., for L. A. Blickenstaff and Wife, Ina Kaylor, and Susan Stoner, $938.64; I. Brenneman (La Verne) for John I. Kaylor, $275; Ira Butterbaugh (La Verne) for A. G. Butterbaugh, $166.50, ...$	1,380.14
Colorado—$100.00	
E. Dist., S. G. Nickey (Sterling) for Dr. Barbara M. Nickey, ...	100.00
Idaho—$211.54	
Congs. of Idaho and Western Montana for Anetta Mow, ...	211.54
Illinois—$535.00	
No. Dist., Franklin Grove Cong., for Bertha Butterbaugh, $250; J. E. Wolf, (Franklin Grove) for Mae Wolf, $10, ...	260.00
So. Dist., Okaw Cong., for J. E. Wagoner, $210; Centennial (Okaw) Cong. for J. E. Wagoner, $65, ...	275.00
Indiana—$195.00	
No. Dist., Ladies' Missy. Soc. (First South Bend) for Dorothy Summer, ...	50.00
So. Dist., Buck Creek Cong. for Nettie B. Summer, $95; Aid Soc.: Buck Creek, for Nettie B. Summer, $50, ...	145.00
Iowa—$375.00	
No. Dist., Waterloo City (South Waterloo) Cong. for Mary Shull, $275; Waterloo City S. S. (South Waterloo) for Mary Shull, $100,	375.00
Kansas—$5.35	
N. E. Dist., Parsons S. S. for Emma H. Eby, ...	5.35
Maryland—$315.00	
Mid. Dist., Sunday Schools for H. P. Garner and B. F. Summer, ...	315.00
Michigan—$11.20	
Junior Departments for Maurine Miller, ..	11.20
Missouri—$5.00	
Mid. Dist., So. Warrensburg Cong. for Jennie Mohler, ...	5.00
Ohio—$623.25	
N. E. Dist., Cleveland Cong. for Goldie Swartz, $275; Hartville Cong. for Anna Brumbaugh, $340.50, ...	615.50
So. Dist., Happy Corner S. S. (Lower Stillwater) for Betty Jeane Brooks, ...	7.75
Pennsylvania—$1,171.25	
E. Dist., Richland Cong. for B. Mary Royer, $550; Spring Creek Cong. for Eliza B. Miller, $515.25; Heisey Sisters (Spring Creek) for Eliza B. Miller, $6; E. Petersburg S. S. for Ina M. Kaylor, $100, ...	1,171.25
West Virginia—$13.59	
First Dist., Eglon Cong. for Anna B. Mow,	13.59
Total for the month ....$	4,941.32
Total previously reported, ...	4,031.06
Total for the year, ...$	8,972.38

CHINA MISSION

Iowa—$15.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Eli Ulrey (Prairie City), ...$	15.00
Kansas—$60.15	
S. E. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Parsons, ...	10.15
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Della Horner (McPherson), ...	50.00
Maryland—$8.16	
W. Dist., Cong.: Cherry Grove, $5; Georges Creek, $3.16, ...	8.16
Ohio—$5.00	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: New Philadelphia, ...	5.00
Pennsylvania—$57.50	
E. Dist., S. S.: Junior Sunbeam Class, Annville, $10; Helping Hand Class, Lebanon (Midway), $37.50, ...	47.50
W. Dist., Cong.: Pittsburgh, ...	10.00
Total for the month, ...$	145.81
Total previously reported, ...	704.43
Total for the year, ...$	850.24

CHINA GIRLS' SCHOOL

Ohio—$25.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: Edna Hollinger (Beech Grove), ...$	25.00
Total for the month, ...$	25.00
Total previously reported, ...	0.00
Total for the year, ...$	25.00

CHINA SHARE PLAN

California—$25.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: Inglewood, ...	25.00
Iowa—$25.00	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: "Gleaners Class," Panther Creek, ...	25.00
Maryland—$6.25	
E. Dist., Mission Study Class, Long Green Valley, ...	6.25
Total for the month, ...$	56.25
Total previously reported, ...	494.15
Total for the year, ...$	550.40

CHINA MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

Colorado—$164.18	
E. Dist., Antioch Cong. for Anna N. Crumpacker, $5; McClave Cong. for Anna N. Crumpacker, $18.50; Miami Cong. for Anna N. Crumpacker, $37.68; Rocky Ford Cong. for Anna N. Crumpacker, $100; A. A. Heaston and Wife (Antioch) for Anna N. Crumpacker, $3,	$ 164.18
Idaho—$216.58	
Congs. of Idaho and Western Montana for Dr. Horning,	216.58
Indiana—$275.00	
No. Dist., Elkhart Valley S. S. for Mary Schaeffer,	30.00
So. Dist., Rossville Cong. for Minerva Metzger,	245.00
Iowa—$200.00	
Mid. Dist., Panther Creek S. S. for Olivia D. Ikenberry,	125.00
No. Dist., Rebecca Heagley (Sheldon) for Mary Coffman,	75.00
Michigan—$22.94	
Primary Depts. for Haven Crumpacker, ..	22.94
Ohio—$826.21	
So. Dist., Eversole Cong. for J. Homer Bright, $65; Salem Cong. for Minnie F. Bright, $291.31; Trotwood Cong. for Elizabeth Oberholtzer, $410; Bethel S. S. (Salem) for Minnie F. Bright, $59.90,	826.21
Pennsylvania—$1,039.89	
E. Dist., Peach Blossom Cong. for Anna Hutchison,	49.89
Mid. Dist., Everett Cong. for Carl Coffman, $100; Albright Cong. and S. S. for Olivia D. Ikenberry, $40,	140.00
So. Dist., Waynesboro Cong. for Martha D. Horning,	300.00
W. Dist., Walnut Grove (Johnstown) Cong. for B. M. Flory,	550.00
Virginia—$306.99	
Sec. Dist., Barren Ridge Cong. for Nora Flory, $24; Elk Run Cong. for Sara Z. Myers, $82.99; Pleasant Valley S. S. for Edna Flory, $200,	306.99
West Virginia—$300.00	
First Dist., Sandy Creek Cong. for Mary Cline,	300.00
Total for the month,	$ 3,351.79
Total previously reported,	1,890.37
Total for the year,	$ 5,242.16

SWEDEN MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

Pennsylvania—$550.00	
E. Dist., Palmyra Cong. for J. F. Graybill,	$ 550.00
Total for the month,	$ 550.00
Total previously reported,	275.00
Total for the year,	$ 825.00

AFRICA MISSION

Indiana—$5.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: Excelsior Class, Buck Creek,	$ 5.00
Iowa—$50.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Cedar Rapids,	50.00
Ohio—$17.36	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Eden (Tuscarawas), ..	17.36
Oregon—$6.75	
Cong.: Portland,	6.75
Pennsylvania—$592.24	
E. Dist., Congregations, $9.44; S. S.: Heidleberg, $25; Indv.: A. A. Price, $25, ..	59.44
Mid. Dist., Holsinger Bible School (Woodbury),	7.80
S. E. Dist., Cong.: First Philadelphia,	500.00
W. Dist., Cong. Pittsburgh,	25.00
Washington—$20.00	
Cong.: No. 102063 (Olympia),	20.00
Total for the month,	$ 691.35
Total previously reported,	533.52
Total for the year,	$ 1,224.87

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

Illinois—$25.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: Ladies' Division of Mustard Seed Class, Milledgeville,	$ 25.00
Indiana—$35.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: Brick (Nettle Creek), ..	35.00
Pennsylvania—$100.00	
S. E. Dist., Y. P. D.: Germantown (Philadelphia),	100.00
Total for the month,	$ 160.00
Total previously reported,	286.25
Total for the year,	$ 446.25

AFRICA MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

Indiana—$64.85	
Mid. Dist., Student Volunteers of Manchester College for Clara Harper Budget, ..	$ 34.85
No. Dist., Elkhart Valley S. S. for Marguerite Burke Budget,	30.00
Michigan—$217.64	
Sunday Schools for Dr. Paul Gibbel, $167.64; Woodland S. S. for Dr. J. Paul Gibbel, $50,	217.64
Ohio—$370.38	
N. E. Dist., Olivet Cong. for A. D. Helser, $146.67; Owl Creek Cong. for Lola Helser, $53.59; Olivet Aid Soc. for Esther Mae Helser, $59.21,	259.47
N. W. Dist., Eagle Creek Cong. for Julia Ann Flohr, $55.45; Eagle Creek Cong. for Lewis B. Flohr, $55.46,	110.91
Pennsylvania—$1,174.25	
E. Dist., Indian Creek Cong. for Sara Shisler,	300.00
S. E. Dist., Coventry Cong. for H. Stover Kulp,	105.00
W. Dist., Scalp Level Cong. for Dr. H. L. Burke,	769.25
Virginia—$150.00	
So. Dist., Fraternity Cong. for Dr. Russell Robertson,	150.00
Total for the month,	$ 1,977.12
Total previously reported,	2,212.17
	$ 4,189.29
Correction No. 8,	133.09
Correction No. 9,	19.78
Total for the year,	$ 4,342.16

NEAR EAST RELIEF

Pennsylvania—$34.35	
E. Dist., S. S.: Elizabeth Martin's Class, Midway, $7; Hopeful Class, Spring Creek, $25; Primary Dept., Spring Creek, $1.85; Junior Class, Spring Creek, $.50,	$ 34.35
Total for the month,	$ 34.35
Total previously reported,	174.21
Total for the year,	$ 208.56

CHINA FAMINE RELIEF

California—$97.25	
So. Dist., Cong.: Long Beach,	$ 97.25
Indiana—$64.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant Hill,	51.00
So. Dist., Joint Aid Institute of Southern Section,	13.00
Pennsylvania—$26.63	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: New Enterprise,	26.63

Virginia—$17.65

E. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Carmel,	17.65
Total for the month,	$ 205.53
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 205.53

CONFERENCE BUDGET

Alabama—$5.00

S. S.: Fruitdale,	$ 5.00

California—$2,093.72

No. Dist., Cong.: Elk Creek, $10; Empire, $89.12; Figarden, $32.60; Laton, $85.08; McFarland, $311.01; Modesto, $70.75; Oakland, $87.26; Raisin City, $29.41; Reedley, $43.32; Aid Soc.: Oakland, $35,	793.55
So. Dist., Cong.: Los Angeles, First, $200; Inglewood, $79.40; Pasadena, $1,007.22; San Diego, $13.55,	1,300.17

Canada—$353.00

Cong.: Bow Valley, $248; Merrington, $16; Second Irricana, $75; Aid Soc.: Merrington, $9; Indv.: Mrs. W. W. Stutsman, $5,	353.00

Colorado—$285.06

E. Dist., Cong.: Denver, $44; Rocky Ford, $205.31; Sterling, $25.75; G. H. Rink and Wife (Antioch), $10,	285.06

Florida—$335.82

Cong.: Arcadia, $10; Brooksville, $4.30; Clay County, $16; Sebring, $191.05; Sunnyland, $11; Zion, $14.31; Eva Heagley Hurst and Family (Zion), $20; S. S.: Bassanger Mission (Sebring), $21.66; Aid Soc.: Sebring, $20; B. Y. P. D.: Sebring, $27.50,	335.82

Idaho—$269.82

Cong.: Fruitland, $107.59; Moscow, $9.23; Nampa, $103.00; Twin Falls, $50,	269.82

Illinois—$1,796.93

No. Dist., Cong.: Bethel, $144; Chicago, Douglas Park, $1; Dixon, $40.40; Elgin, $187.50; Franklin Grove, $65,75; Hickory Grove, $31.65; Lanark, $235.50; Milledgeville, $104.04; Mt. Morris, $192; Polo, $185; Rockford, $32; Sterling, $86.22; West Branch, $50.70; Geo. K. Miller and Wife (Lena), $12.50; A Sister (Lena), $5,	1,373.26
So. Dist., Cong.: Astoria, $35.50; Decatur, $6.47; La Motte Prairie, $36.10; Okaw, $42.89; Panther Creek, $11; Springfield, $15; Virden, $276.71,	423.67

Indiana—$7,946.91

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Andrews, $100; Bachelor's Run, $96.60; Bethel Center, $6; Cart Creek, $65; Clear Creek, $127.50; Eel River, $76.52; Huntington, $200; Loon Creek, $31; Manchester, $1,385; Markle, $28; Mexico, $292.50; Monticello, $36.35; Pipe Creek, $101.50; Pleaant View, $125; Plunge Creek Chapel, $61.85; Portland, $19; South Whitley, $23.95; Spring Creek, $182; Wabash City, $16; Wabash Country, $20; Walton, $14.59; West Eel River, $25; West Manchester, $176.50; Mrs. Fred Hummel (Sugar Creek), $2; S. S.: Eel River, $56.14; Flora, $289.97; Hickory Grove, $120.64,	3,678.61
No. Dist., Cong.: Auburn, $30; Baugo, $28.40; Bethany, $100; Bethel, $133.53; Blissville, $21; Blue River, $31.91; Bremen, $100; Cedar Creek, $18.21; Elkhart City, $67.47; Elkhart Valley, $68.65; Goshen, $6; Maple Grove, $80; Middlebury, $369; Mt. Pleasant, $30.38; Nappanee, $133; New Paris, $49.13; North Liberty, $90.20; Oak Grove, $13; Pine Creek, $100; Pleasant Hill, $100; Pleasant Valley, $73.52; Plymouth, $329.34; South Bend First, $650; Turkey Creek, $32; Wakarusa, $65; Wawaka, $12; West Goshen, $443; S. S.: Elkhart City, $90.28; Class No. 4, Elkhart City, $7.25; Aid Soc.: West Goshen, $10,	3,282.27
So. Dist., Cong.: Anderson, $225; Beech Grove, $13.45; Fairview, $60; Four Mile, $276.93; Howard, $48.25; Kokomo, $17.64; Mt. Pleasant, $9; Muncie, $241; Summitville, $5.50; Upper Fall Creek, $14.78; White, $14.48; Cong. and S. S.: Ladoga, $10; S. S.: Classes No. 4, No. 5, No. 6, and No. 7, Arcadia, $50,	986.03

Iowa—$1,442.25

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Dallas Center, $154.56; Des Moines City, $45; Des Moines Valley, $116; Muscatine, $23.15; Prairie City, $70; B. Y. P. D.: Dallas Center, $26.61	435.32
No. Dist., Cong.: Franklin County, $25.50; Greene, $29.33; Ivester, $222; Sheldon, $115.06; South Waterloo, $296.08; Spring Creek, $14.66; Young People's Conference, $7.50,	710.13
So. Dist., Cong.: Council Bluffs, $18.84; Franklin, $20.20; Libertyville, $54.60; Mt. Etna, $121.66; North English, $21; Salem, $59.50; Indv.: L. E. Buzzard, $1,	296.80

Kansas—$1,569.35

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Abilene, $100; Buckeye, $46; McLouth, $58.55; Morrill, $300; Olathe, $69; Richland Center, $35; Sabetha, $100; Topeka, $35; Washington, $20; Washington Creek, $16.30; Effie Steffy (Ozawkie), $4; S. S.: Olathe, $9.40; Indv.: Mrs. S. A. Smith, $5,	798.25
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Burr Oak,	8.51
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Fredonia, $22.15; Independence, $10; Mont Ida, $16.43; Paint Creek, $15; Parsons, $51.55; Scott Valley, $38; O. E. Loshbaugh, wife and daughter (Hollow), $40; J. W. Kirkendall and Wife (Independence), $10,	203.13
S. W. Dist., Cong.: East Wichita, $5; Eden Valley, $100; Garden City, $9.89; Larned Rural, $28.93; McPherson, $389.15; Pleasant View, $26.49,	559.46

Louisiana—$100.00

Cong.: Roanoke,	100.00

Maryland—$1,671.83

E. Dist., Cong.: Woodberry (Baltimore), $303.10; Bethany, $30.90; Denton, $212.11; Frederick, $125; Meadow Branch, $222.87; Monocacy, $84; Piney Creek, $44.60; Pipe Creek, $244; Sams Creek, $70; Washington City, $60; Mary K. Ebaugh (Meadow Branch), $5; Indv.: A Sister, $5,	1,406.58
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Beaver Creek, $74.70; Longmeadow, $88.10; Manor, $94.45; Ida M. Wine (Hagerstown), $8,	265.25

Michigan—$339.25

Cong.: Battle Creek, $18.03; Beaverton, $26.33; Buchanan, $11.73; Detroit, $65; Elsie, $17; Midland, $5.77; Onekama, $10; Rodney, $4.20; Sugar Ridge, $22.12; Sunfield, $6; Woodland Country, $98.07; Woodland Village, $50; Joseph Boxell (Long Lake), $5,	339.25

Minnesota—$174.25

Cong.: Guthrie, $6.25; Root River, $90; Worthington, $28; Aid Soc.: Root River, $50,	174.25

Missouri—$592.22

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Deepwater, $11.50; Prairie View, $4; Kansas City, $26; Warrensburg, $117.06,	158.56
No. Dist., Cong.: Rockingham, $101.90; Smith Fork, $168.90; Wakenda, $75.26,	346.06
So. Dist., Cong.: Broadwater, $15; Cabool, $28.85; S. S.: Jasper, $18.75; Aid Soc.: Mountain Grove (Cabool), $10; Indv.: Mrs. Mary J. Babb and Daughter, $15,	87.60

Nebraska—$302.00

Cong.: Arcadia, $17.12; Beatrice, $63.76; Bethel, $146.45; Kearney, $14.62; Lincoln, $52.03; Omaha, $8.02,	302.00

New Mexico—$23.60

Cong.: Clovis,	23.60

North Dakota—$50.45

Cong.: Cando (Zion), $32.45; Carrington, $18,	50.45

Ohio—$3,245.83

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Alliance, $42.25; Ashland Dickey, $179.55; Black River, $99.47; Canton City, $189.61; Center, $61.42; East Chippewa, $209; Maple Grove, $118.75; Mohican, $10.18; Reading, $67.66; West Nimishillen, $15.28; Aid Soc.: Center, $10,	1,003.17
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Bellefontaine, $21.58; Black Swamp, $24; Deshler, $11.60; Fostoria, $29.96; Green Springs, $70.70; Pleasant View, $150; Poplar Ridge, $61.45; Rome, $26.74; Sand Ridge, $7; Silver Creek, $88.07; Stony Creek (Logan), $52.60; Toledo, $85; A Brother and Sister (Greenspring), $15; J. H. Good (Logan), $5,	648.70
So. Dist., Cong.: Bradford, $30; Castine, $111.62; Donnels Creek, $109.10; East Dayton, $60; Ft. McKinley, $109.89; Georgetown, $75; Greenville, $91; Harris Creek, $148.59; Middle District, $50.36; New Carlisle, $326.30; Pitsburg, $20; Springfield, $56.40; Troy, $22.10; West Branch, $35.20; West Dayton, $175.30; West Milton, $106.10; S. S.: Piqua, $25; Cedar Grove (Prices Creek), $40; Indv.: Allen Rasor and Wife, $2,	1,593.96

Oklahoma—$167.90

Cong.: Big Creek, $31.90; Monitor, $32.50; Thomas, $101; No. 106175, $2.50,	167.90

Oregon—$174.77

Cong.: Albany, $26.52; Ashland, $25; Mabel, $25; Portland, $98.25,	174.77

Pennsylvania—$11,684.24

E. Dist., Cong.: Akron, $86.64; Annville, $136; Chiques, $295; Conestoga, $155.49; E. Fairview, $89.24; E. Petersburg, $159.75; Elizabethtown, $1,035.49; Ephrata, $1,000; Fredericksburg, $175.79; Heidleberg, $67; Ludlowville (Lake Ridge), $15; Lancaster, $638.34; Lititz, $256.56; Maiden Creek, $226.27; Mountville, $125; Myerstown, $148.50; Palmyra, $452.95; Ridgely, $35.50; Schuykill, $27.77; Shamokin, $34.61; Springville, $145; Swatara, Big, $196.34; Swatara, Little, $255.45; West Conestoga, $126.31; West Green Tree, $127.13; White Oak, $224; Myers Kreider (E. Fairview), $50; Clara Funderburg, (Lake Ridge), $25; S. S.: Chiques, $150; E. Fairview, $100; Young Folks' Bible Class (Harrisburg), $15; Palmyra, $300; Willing Workers Class (Palmyra), $50; Spring Grove, $7.37; Aid Soc.: Akron, $15; Palmyra, $50; Ridgely, $10; C. W. S.: Annville, $50; Palmyra, $50,	7,107.50
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Fairview, $63.68; Huntingdon, $1,155.00; Koontz, $40; Leamersville, $15; Lewistown, $255.58; Lower Claar, $8; Smithfield, $17.59; Snake Spring, $44.42; C. L. Cox (Claysburg), $10; Eleanor J. Brumbaugh, (Huntingdon), $1; No. 106017 (Lewistown), $10; Verna Detwiler (New Enterprise), $5; S. S.: "Light Bearers" Class, Lewistown, $5,	1,629.97
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Coventry, $140; Harmonyville, $76.39; Bethany, Philadelphia, $240; Quakertown, Springfield, $36.37; Springfield, $24.14; Wilmington, $50,	566.90
So. Dist., Cong.: Antietam, $124; Back Creek, $113.51; Upton, Back Creek, $30; Buffalo Valley, $13; Chambersburg, $1.90; Huntsdale, $160; Lost Creek, $2; Lower Cumberland, $65; Mt. Olivet, $110; Ridge, $11; Upper Codorus, $121.38; Upper Conewago, $178.30; York, $530.05,	1,460.14
W. Dist., Cong.: Conemaugh, $125.63; Georges Creek (Uniontown), $83.16; Meyersdale, $210.90; Mt. Joy, $108.25; Pittsburgh, $268; Plum Creek, $33.14; Cowanshannock, Plum Creek, $7.65; Salisbury, $55; Wooddale, $18; Indv.: Mrs. D. C. Burkholder, $10,	919.73

Tennessee—$27.00

Cong.: Beaver Creek, $7; Johnson City, $6; Sweetwater Valley, $8; Indv.: Mrs. M. M. Fine, $6,	27.00

Texas—$49.25

Cong.: Manvel,	49.25

Virginia—$2,765.36

E. Dist., Cong.: Hollywood, $4.25; Locust Grove, $11; Madison, $10.29; Manassas, $38.89; Midland, $31.38; Mt. Carmel, $20.20; Nokesville, $31.22; Valley, $34.23; Indv.: Mary L. Wetsel, $5,	186.46
1st Dist., Congs.: $798.48; J. F. Crowder and Family (Daleville), $7; Mrs. S. C. and Lula Showalter (Troutville), $15,	820.48
No. Dist., Cong.: Cooks Creek, $231.60; Flat Rock, $144; Harrisonburg, $145; Linville Creek, $70.83; Mill Creek, $588.13; Rileyville, $10; Salem, $17; Upper Lost River, $3.85,	1,210.41
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Beaver Creek, $12.70; Crummitts Run, $5.70; Moscow, $10.26; Pleasant Valley, $127.52; Summit, $260; Valley Bethel, $16.23; Jane A. Zimmerman and Sister (Bridgewater), $25; Ira L. and Cora V. Garber (Middle River), $12.25; Aid Soc.: Valley Bethel, $5,	474.66
So. Dist., Congregations,	73.35

Washington—$330.42

Cong.: No. Spokane, $20.61; Omak, $36; Seattle, $42.65; Wenatchee Valley, $219.16; Whitestone, $2; Okanogan Co. Brethren Convention, $10,	330.42

West Virginia—$156.63

1st Dist., Cong.: Harman, $65.20; Keyser, $50.50; White Pine, $23.78,	139.48
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Bethany, $10.15; Grafton Mission, Bethany, $3; Indv.: Jesse Judy, $4,	17.15

Wisconsin—$47.26

Cong.: Maple Grove, $10; Rice Lake, $15.15; Stanley, $20.11; Worden, $2.00,	47.26
Total for the month,	$38,000.12
Total previously reported,	2,815.82
Total for the year,	$40,815.94

CONFERENCE BUDGET DESIGNATED

California—$7.69

So. Dist., Cong.: Calvary,	$ 7.69

Colorado—$6.09

E. Dist., Cong.: Rocky Ford,	6.09

Pennsylvania—$15.00

S. E. Dist., Cong.: First Philadelphia,	15.00
Total for the month,	$ 28.78
Total previously reported,	94.71
Total for the year,	$ 123.49

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ASKS FOR NO INDEMNITY

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decided not to present any statement of losses—totaling perhaps $500,000—to the United States consulate. They agreed that if and when the Nationalist government should itself request such a statement they would present it. Their idea is to treat Nanking University as a Chinese institution and not go through any diplomatic channels in their approach to the Chinese government. What the Chinese government will do I do not know, neither does any one else as yet. But one can only appreciate the fact that this Christian institution in China is giving up its treaty privileges.—Frank Rawlinson.

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Church of the Brethren Industrial School, Geer, Va.

- Bollinger, Amsey, and Florence, 1922
- Finckh, Elsie, 1925
- Hersch, Orville, and Mabel, 1925
- Kline, Alvin, 1926
- Knight, Henry, March, Va., 1928
- Sherman, Russel and Marie, 1928
- Wampler, Nelie, 1922

In Pastoral Service

- Bowman, Price, and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
- Eby, E. H., and Emma, 3503 St. Joseph Ave., St. Joseph, Mo., 1927
- Fahnestock, Rev., and Mrs. S. G., 1105 Haight Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
- Haney, R. A., and Irva, Lonaconing, Md., 1925
- Horner, W. J., and Hazel, 3122 Ellis Ave., Fort Worth, Texas, 1920
- Rohrer, Ferdie, and Pearl, Jefferson, N. C., 1927
- White, Ralph, and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923

In Evangelistic Service

- Smith, Rev., and Mrs. S. Z., Sidney, Ohio

SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö Sweden

- Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
- Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

Liao Chow, Shansi, China

- Hutchison, Anna, 1911
- Oberholtzer, I. E., and Elizabeth, 1916
- Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
- Senger, Nettie M., 1916
- Shock, Laura J., 1916

Ping Ting Chow, Shansi, China

- Bright, J. Homer, and Minnie, 1911
- Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921, and Lulu, 1919
- Crumpacker, F. H., 1908
- Flory, Byron M., and Nora, 1917
- Flory, Edna R., 1917
- Horning, Emma, 1908
- Metzger, Minerva, 1910
- Schaeffer, Mary, 1917

Show Yang, Shansi, China

- Heisey, Walter J., and Sue, 1917
- Neher, Minneva J., 1924
- Ulery, Ruth F., 1926

On Furlough

- * Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, Covina, Calif., 1924
- * Clapper, V. Grace, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1917
- Cline, Mary E., 832 Cumberland St., Bristol, Va., 1920
- * Cripe, Winnie, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill.
- Crumpacker, Anna, McPherson, Kans., 1908
- Horning, Dr. D. L., and Martha, R. 5, Cedar Falls, Iowa, 1919
- * Ikenberry, E. L., and Olivia, King St. Dist., R. 4, Danbury, Conn., 1922
- * Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater, Va., 1919
- Seese, Norman A., and Anna, Daleville, Va., 1917
- * Smith, W. Harlan, and Frances, 2624 E St., La Verne, Calif., 1920
- Sollenberger, O. C., and Hazel, % J. W. Coppock, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, 1919
- * Wampler, Dr. Fred J., and Rebecca, Accomac, Va., 1913
- Wampler, Ernest M., and Elizabeth, 1922

AFRICA

Garkida, Nigeria, West Africa, via Jos

- Beahm, Wm. M., and Esther, 1924
- Flohr, Earl W., and Ella, 1926
- Gibbel, Dr. J. Paul, and Verda, 1926
- Harper, Clara, 1926
- Heckman, Clarence C., and Lucile, 1924
- Helser, Albert D., 1922, and Lola, 1923
- Robertson, Dr. Russell L., and Bertha C., 1927
- Shisler, Sara, 1926

Dille, via Jos and Maiduguri, Nigeria, West Africa

- Burke, Dr. Homer L., and Marguerite, 1923
- Kulp, H. Stover, 1922, and Christina, 1927

On Furlough

- * Mallott, Floyd, and Ruth, North Manchester, Ind.

INDIA

Ahwa, Dangs, India

- Butterbaugh, A. G., and Bertha, 1919
- Garner, H. P., and Kathryn, 1916

Anklesvar, Broach Dist., India

- Grisso Lillian, 1917
- Long, I. S., and Effie, 1903
- Moomaw, I. W., and Mabel, 1923
- Woods, Beulah, 1924

Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

- Cottrell, Dr. A. R., and Laura, 1913
- Mohler, Jennie, 1916
- Shumaker, Ida C., 1910

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

- Blickenstaff, Verna M., 1919
- Ebbert, Ella, 1917
- Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
- Nickey, Dr. Barbara M. 1915
- Roop, Ethel, 1926
- Swartz, Goldie E., 1916

Jalalpor, Surat Dist., India

- Miller, Eliza B., 1900

Vada, Thana Dist., India

- Brumbaugh, Anna B., 1919
- Ebey, Adam, and Alice, 1900
- Kaylor, John I., 1911, and Ina, 1921

Palghar, Thana Dist., India

- Alley, Howard L., and Hattie, 1917

Post Umalla, via Anklesvar, India

- Miller, Arthur S. B., and Jennie, 1919
- Wolf, L. Mae, 1922
- Ziegler, Kathryn, 1908

Vyara, via Surat, India

- Brooks, Harlan J., and Ruth, 1924
- Mow, Anetta, 1917

Burjor Bag, Lunsikui, Navsari, India

- Mow, Baxter M., and Anna, 1923

Woodstock School, Landour Mussoorie, U. P., India

- Stoner, Susan L., 1927

On Furlough

- Blickenstaff, Lynn A., and Mary, 2546 Third Ave., La Verne, Calif., 1920
- Blough, J. M., and Anna, 1309 Franklin, Johnstown, Pa., 1903
- * Kintner, Elizabeth, Ney, Ohio, 1919
- Lichty, D. J., 1902, and Anna, 1912, Trotwood, Ohio
- Miller, Sadie J., R. F. D., Waterloo, Iowa, 1903
- Royer, B. Mary, Richland, Pa., 1913
- Shickel, Elsie N., 2211 Orange Ave. N. W., Roanoke, Va., 1921
- Shull, Chalmer, and Mary, 3407 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1919
- Summer, B. F., and Nettie, Mooreland, Indiana, 1919
- * Wagoner, J. E., and Ellen, North Manchester, Ind., 1919
- Widdowson, Olive, Penn Run, Pa., 1912

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Editorial

PAYING THE PRICE

The art of exchanging values is practiced everywhere and among all classes of people. Everyone experiences the act of trading. Buying and selling are necessary to the perpetuation of life. If we want an automobile we buy it. The desire for a new pair of shoes, if entertained, makes one willing to pay for them. If we desire a trip we purchase the ticket. We buy what we want, limited only by our means.

Likewise, if the Kingdom Interests receive our first loyalties and desires we willingly pay the cost. After all, the fundamental thing in stewardship of money is not the amount of cash given. It is the motive. A Christian desires the extension work of the church. He wants the Gospel preached everywhere. His hope is that all men may hear the Message of Hope and Peace. His one supreme hope is that Christ be "lifted up." He is determined that others shall have "life more abundant." He gives up other things that this may be done. It becomes the first interest in his life. He no longer argues about paying the cost. He knows that if the "kingdom of heaven" shall come he will have to pay for it. He expects to pay for it as certainly and with the same reality as he pays for his groceries, clothes, education, government, etc. He pays for what he desires. The keener the desire the more liberal he is, and the richer he shares his life and possessions to satisfy the desire.

It is impossible for everyone to be a missionary on the foreign field or a minister in

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America. The way to reach all is by sending others. The only way we have to make this possible is by sharing our possessions. The quality of our desires determines the extent of our sharing. Each individual determines his own desires. No one can absolutely judge the desire of others by the outward expression. Every Christian is put on his own honor after he has accepted and given his allegiance to Jesus Christ.

The members of the Church of the Brethren are supporting the work in India, China, Africa, and the home work. Some are paying the cost in the spirit of joy. Some feel they are asked too much. Some fail to participate. Those who want the church to have a missionary program are paying for it. They do not expect it to be done without cost. Those who do not help do not want it. They do not want to pay the price.

If each member of the church has developed his desire for the ongoing of the missionary work of our church to the limit of his possibility, then we have reached the limit of expansion. If we have not reached our possible goal, then there is work being neglected which will be charged against us.

The supreme need of this day is for each member to put the kingdom interests first. Then we will be willing to pay the cost, as we do to meet all the other strong desires of our lives. We can test our loyalty to the church and to Jesus Christ by discovering our supreme desire and testing it by the life of Christ. M. R. Zigler.

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THE MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT TO BE DISCONTINUED

Beginning with August 1, the mission money received will not be reported in detail in the Missionary Visitor. As the money is regularly not reported until the third month after it is received, the November Visitor is the first which will not have the itemized financial report. The customary Mission Board treasury statement will appear in its usual form. The totals of moneys for the various funds will be reported, just as they have been shown in the past.

The itemized financial report was originally started to encourage giving, and was also used by the auditors in checking over the treasurer's accounts. As our mission work grew the financial statement was enlarged so that it now takes from four to eight pages monthly. The small type used makes the cost of a page very expensive. A page of regular reading matter is not nearly so costly. It is estimated that the printing of the itemized report costs from $1,000 to $2,000 more than would be the cost of regular matter.

Many people do not desire to have their names associated with their gifts, and ask us to report their contribution by receipt number instead of by name.

The auditors no longer use the Visitor report for their work, but instead go directly to the books of the treasurer for their investigations.

The Visitor for years has contained thirty-two pages. With the adding of new fields the editor feels the need of more space. But the way never seemed clear to enlarge the paper.

Many people have suggested to the Board that the financial statement be discontinued, either in the interest of more reading matter or reduced expense. The decision of the Board at the La Verne Conference to discontinue the financial department was made largely to reduce expenses, but also with a deep feeling that the space could be better used for other reading matter and at the same time a reduction in cost would be realized.

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A NEW PARABLE

Remembering the parable which Jesus set forth showing how different people had reasons for not coming to the feast, the following letter from a pastor will provide material for writing a new parable.

The pastor writes: "Is it not strange that so many Christians make excuses when approached for funds for the Lord's work? Some did not believe in making pledges; some were in debt already; some had large families to support; one was about ready to enter a lawsuit; some were planning improvements around the farm; some, who were along in years, thought they had given all they could while they were in the prime of life; some said they would send us their pledge in a few days (no reply has come from a single one after 'many days'); and, some, strange to say, did not make excuses, yet gave nothing.

"We were made glad for the ones with 'willing' minds, for these could have found similar excuses had they been looking for ways to get out of serving instead of ways to serve.

"We are following, with interest, the varied suggestions in the Messenger of how to increase our giving. Machinery will never do it! The biblical principles of stewardship will have to become operative in every Christian's life—both young and old. This will take teaching, teaching—and more teaching for many years to come. Many people want to give, seemingly, but because selfishness causes them to plan and plan ahead for themselves, they lay nothing by **in store** for the Lord, so give very little. We approve very highly of the stewardship literature sent from Elgin, but will make this suggestion—print more of it, and put it up in more attractive form (why let worldly interests monopolize all the attractive folders, colored pictures, catchy phrases, etc.?).

"Along with the teaching of stewardship must go informational literature. If anyone says we have enough of this now, it is because he is not seeking to know about needy places in which to invest the money God has given him. Why not give us more missionary stories through our church papers? To be sure, some come to the workers for the missionary projects, but never enough to satisfy young, active minds. It seems, too, that missionaries are too timid about writing about themselves—simple, everyday affairs that make one feel they are really transported to another clime. Why cheapen the Visitor by giving it no cover? Suppose a stranger were looking for a magazine, would he choose the American or the Visitor (with no cover)?

"True, the Lord's work takes courage and much prayer for guidance! Let us press forward!"

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In New Zealand there is a lake that is fed by a powerful spring which has its source in another lake far down in the darkness of the earth. In both lakes there are fishes of one variety. But those in the buried lakes have lost their eyes, and are quite blind when they are forced up into the upper lake. Moral: Take care we are not losing our power of heavenly vision.

The Evangelism of Karla Sayaji

H. P. GARNER

Missionary to India

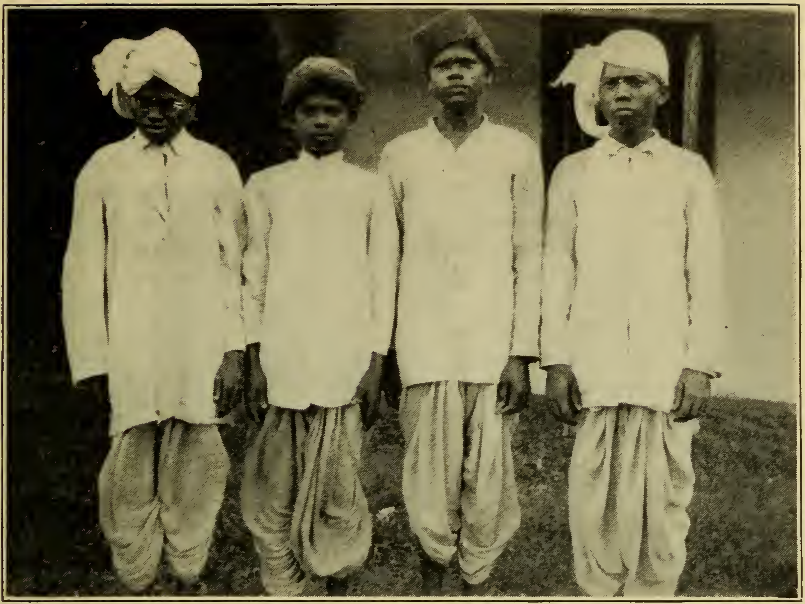
AHWA is located in about the middle of the United States of the Dangs. Ahwa is also headquarters for the government of the Dangs, which is a British Agency, the collector of Surat District being the political agent. I call these the United States of the Dangs, because, while there are five Bhil kings and fourteen chiefs and Niayaks ruling, each in his own state or territory, yet they are all united under the British Agency, and the officer who is directly in oversight is the Dangs Diwan, who has his office at Ahwa.

One of these kings is called the Vasurna Raja, as the village where he lives is Vasurna. For a number of years the mission had a school at Vasurna, and Somansingh, the minor king, along with other boys, attended the school. Among those who attended was a boy by the name of Karla Sayaji. Karla was not strong physically. He was afflicted with tuberculosis of the bone and had a running sore on his neck which refused to heal up. This disease has also deformed him some. He is slightly humped in the back and has a stiff neck. However, this did not hinder his entering school and advancing in his studies. He took a keen interest in his work and studied even more than his physical condition could stand at times. Then he would suffer for a while.

Somansingh was only about 14 years old, but he was the king on the throne and had not a great desire to learn in school. He is a Bhil, and almost invariably with the Bhil goes drinking, and so Somansingh soon learned to take liquor. The drinking of liquor, attention to three wives, and mingling with grown-up men most of the time soon took his attention from school. When he got careless and would not come the others of the village got careless, too. However, Karla maintained his interest in the village school. The attendance got so low that the mission had to close the school. The master was also needed in another village, where we had a larger and better school and where the master had died. With the closing of the school the problem of education for Karla was made difficult; however, he soon found a way out. He came seven miles to Ahwa and entered the boarding school here. Karla came in on the 18th of March, 1925, and has since continued in school.

On the 13th of May he brought his next younger brother, Rayaji, Kawaji Laxman and Banda Huri. June 10, 1926, Davazu Valal entered. These continued in school for the most part, and on April 21, 1926, Karla brought back with him Bunchea Kuman, and on the 21st of August, 1926, were added to this number Konjea Mahadu, Somansingh Raja, Yeshwant Pandu, Sukar Zarnu. This made a total of ten, all of whom without a doubt came because of Karla's influence. But the end was not yet. On Sept. 5, 1927, Karla brought a still younger brother, Laxman, and on May 7, 1927, Nousu Karla, and on June 1, 1928, Eekea Dunji and Gopal Ramji entered. This made a total of 13 coming from the influence of Karla, who first entered.

It was not always easy for Karla and his parents, as the people began to make fun of them and to speak of their being defiled. Others refused to associate with them, but they met this light persecution bravely, with such argument as, "There is no such thing as defilement from coming in touch with other people." When the argument that their children might become Christian and disgrace them was brought up, they replied, "All right; if our children become Christian we will, too. That will not be any disgrace to us." The parents frequently visited the children at the school, and at times stayed over night and ate with them and the Christian boys. All of these boys from Vasurna would visit their people at home during vacation, and at other times take leave and go for a day or so. Some were out of school for a short time and then came back. Several left and did not return, but the Sayaji boys stayed by it. During the summer of 1927 all went home for vacation, but the Sayaji boys did not stay long. They preferred to come back here and work during



KARLA SAYAJI (on the left) and three boys he brought to the school. All of them were baptized January 1, 1928.

KARLA SAYAJI INFLUENCED THESE BOYS to come to the school at Ahwa vacation to being home. I think I can freely say that they appreciated the religious atmosphere of the boarding school and always took such part as they could in reading Scripture and praying at meal time and at the evening prayer time, even though they were not Christians.

While home on their vacation in 1927 Karla seemed to have had rather a strange experience, in which he prayed and promised the Lord that if he allowed him to come back to the school he was going to serve him. He related this experience to the other boys one evening in their prayer service. This was before he was a Christian. Karla is a close Bible student and took keen interest in the study of the Life of Christ during the rainy season of 1927, when the writer conducted the Bible class for an hour each day.

At the close of the rainy season, when we asked for those who wished to become Christians to enter a special class, Karla and his brother, Rayaji Sayaji, Kawaji Laxman and Davaji Warlal were all ready to enter, and after special instruction under Bro. Butterbaugh for several weeks they were baptized on Jan. 1, 1928. Karla at once volunteered to assist in the primary department of the Sunday-school as a teacher and was given a class.

A number of attempts have been made to give him help for his physical condition. Dr. Nickey and Dr. Cottrell have examined him and treated him. He has never lost hope that he will be sometime cured, and so has made repeated requests to be sent to the doctors. During the winter of 1927-28 one of our Dangi Christians, who is quite influential in the community and who knows all the school-children, had an operation for ulcer of the stomach and came back a well man after suffering for several years, at times very severely. This renewed hope in Karla and he begged to be sent to Miraj, where Govind had his operation. After consulting our doctors he was sent, as we wished to give him every chance possible to get well. His one ambition is to be a well, strong man to serve our Lord. But Karla had to return a disappointed boy, as the doctors said there was nothing that they could do for him.

I have asked Karla to relate his own story for you, giving his experience in getting to Ahwa, learning about the Christian religion, and what he has found since he has gotten acquainted with Christ. I give here below a translation of his statement, and I trust that after you have read and thought over it, you will remember Karla in prayer, that he may become a leader among these people. We have been praying for several good leaders and we hope that the Lord will call them out for this work.

"Why I Came to Ahwa School

"During the year of 1921 there were about sixteen boys in the Vasurna school. Here I studied up to and passed the third standard. At that time my master was Vinayakrao. He would have a special class every week, usually on Sunday, and teach us about the true God, and my mind was drawn towards that. At that time I used to, at different times, ask him some questions and he taught me verses and how to make short prayers, and I used to go home and tell my father and mother. Then they used to wonder very much and were very happy. My teacher used to always tell me to go to Ahwa school, as it would be a great benefit to me. One thing is that I would get an education and the other is I would get a clear understanding who the true God is. Hearing this I meditated a good many days about coming to Ahwa. It was my wish to come, but if I came, where was I to live and from whence would come my food and clothes?—for my parents were very poor and could not furnish everything. I talked this over with my master and he told me that there was a boarding-school hostel where I would get food, water, and have a place to live, but that there were a number of rules that I would have to obey. About that time Elder C. G. Shull's letter came, saying that there would not be any fourth standard taught in the village schools, but if those who had passed the third standard wished to study the fourth and up, they would have to come to Ahwa. So in this way, by the mercy of Jehovah, March 16, 1925, I came to Ahwa school, and went into the hostel.

"What I Found

"After coming here I was profited very much. First of all, I found the true God, and second my education has continued. I attended Sunday-school and church services every Sunday and heard good sermons from different ones, and especially from the missionary I learned many of the stories of the Bible; who our Lord is and by what wonderful power he did great things; how he took upon himself the load of sin of the whole world; how he suffered death on the cross. Also that Jehovah God is the one true God, and beside there is none other in the universe. Without Jehovah no one has peace and no one can be saved and whoever believes on him and prays to him through Jesus, when very difficult times come, God will hear him. When I heard these words of the Lord then my faith grew very much. I have hunted very much but without the Lord Jesus I have not found peace.

"One time while I was in the boarding-school it happened that I got sick, and I got medicine from a number of doctors, but my sickness did not get a bit better. The school principal tried very hard, but nothing was of any help. Then, because there was no help, I went home. I spent a number of days at home, but did not get any better. At that time I prayed to Jehovah God, 'O Jehovah God, merciful God, if you will make me well from this sickness and let me go back to Ahwa to school, I will serve you in sincerity and truth.' When I prayed this prayer I got better, and at that time I got full faith in God that without him nothing could be a success. This thing happened not only once, but many times I made requests to God through Jesus Christ, and I received answer to my prayers. I did not do this to see what the power of the Lord was, but in my own experience I can give many examples where he has heard me.

"By coming to a Christian school I have been profited in the following ways: I found the one true God, and if I had gone to a Hindu school I would not have been profited at all. God's Word says that we should not have other gods. 'I am Jehovah your God; thou shalt not make any graven image nor worship it.' This is the very truth, and whosoever will live according to this word is blessed. Whosoever is not saved by the cross of Christ shall not live, for Jesus' word is, 'Unless you are born again you cannot enter the kingdom of heaven,' that is, you cannot be saved."

Karla is now in the sixth standard Marathi, and we hope that he will be able to go on and complete his schooling and then do some good work for the Master.

Ahwa Dangs, Surat District, July 24, 1928.

Scars

CARL F. COFFMAN, M. D.

Missionary to China

THE sandy flats in this part of Shansi are planted with poplars and willows, among which one often sees crooked, lop-sided ones. What has happened to these trees? Once a shepherd was grazing his flock on the meadow, and one of the sheep nibbled the bark from one side of a sapling. Only a small injury; the scar was soon covered over with bark and is now hidden in the heart of the tree, but it caused the tree to grow ugly and misshapen. Other trees, straight and tall, show little rough places at intervals along the trunk, the result of the pruner's ax in his effort to produce a useful lumber tree with a straight, shapely trunk.

And, oh, how often the doctor reads your past in the scars on your body! "When did you break your leg?" "How did you get this burn?" "Where and when did you receive that wound?" are the questions he asks. And how his heart thrills as he sees the fire sparkle in his patient's eyes as he recounts how he stopped a runaway team, or rescued a child from a burning building, or helped to save some one from an attack by evil men! But, alas! Sometimes the questions run like this: "When did you contract venereal disease?" or "When did you pay your visit to the abortionist?" Then a head is hung in shame and a heart that is tasting the bitterness of the dregs of sinful pleasure confesses that it has not been true to the ideals so carefully planted by father and mother and teacher. Again, it was a little scar that told the story. "He that ruleth his own spirit is greater than he that taketh a city."

You have all seen faces on which the lines of suffering were cut deep and indelibly. Could you tell whether they were the result of sin and shame or the result of battles nobly fought and won? Of course you could. How much more shall not the all-wise Father be able to interpret those scars, some noble, some ignoble, that record the history of our soul-life! As an anonymous writer in a recent American, referring to the day of judgment, says: " . . . each one of us will bear on his own soul the record of his judgment. What we are will determine what is to happen to us. Those who have made themselves worthy of fine companionship will be promoted to that fine companionship. Those who have debased themselves will be debased." That leaf from the Book of Life on which the recording angel writes your story is **your own heart.**

Physicians have found no satisfactory method of removing scars. These records of past illnesses we bear to our graves. That is why they are such valuable evidence in the courts for the identification of persons. But the Great Physician has perfected a method of removing "our transgressions" (those scars of the soul, records of past sins) from us, "as far as the east is from the west," and says that "He will remember them no more." But no physician can accomplish anything unless the patient is willing to carry out the treatment recommended. Jesus has minutely given us the details of his method of treatment, through those good men who left us a record of his life and teachings. If we appear before the Judge of all the earth with the marks of condemnation written on our souls, it will be because we were unwilling to follow the advice of that Healer of souls, the Lord Jesus himself. **May the good Father in heaven increase our faith!**

Ku Ch'eng, Shansi, June 14, 1928.

DEATH CLAIMS LULU (ULLOM) COFFMAN

A cable arrived in the mission rooms September 6, giving the following message:

"We regret to report the death of Mrs. Carl Coffman, August 30, as result of surgical operation."

Since this cable arrived, a letter from Dr. Coffman says that on August 9 he became the happy father of an eight-pound son.

We will have to wait for further information, but can only express the deepest regrets for the passing of this noble worker in China. Sister Coffman had been very deeply devoted to her work. She was capable, willing and active. She did not shun the hard places. She was a beautiful, noble spirit. This much we know, and have known for a long while, but we must await information before we can give further details of her death.

Mission Hospital Fights Tuberculosis

MYRTLE POLLOCK, R. N.

Missionary to China

LIAO CHOU HOSPITAL STAFF. Only one foreigner appears in the picture. This illustrates the great strides the Chinese have made in taking charge of Christian activity.

WOULD you be inclined to think that a hospital, located at an elevation of 3,688.84 feet above sea level, and surrounded on all sides by high mountains, would naturally become a tubercular sanitarium occupied by the local people? This may become true some day of the Liao Chou Hospital. Had all the patients remained in the hospital thus far this year, whom we have in some manner ministered to, the Liao Chou hospital would have been well occupied alone with tubercular patients. But for financial reasons, chiefly, and lack of faith in the value of fresh air and goat's milk, they deferred taking the treatment. As it was, our porches, only one of which has been recently screened, have been well occupied by patients with tuberculosis in some form.

Among our own mission-school boys and girls reaching the eighth grade, or above, have passed away within the past year, four with pulmonary tuberculosis, while others of various ages are under treatment.

Yes, Mrs. Ch'ing is expected in soon to have a new plaster of Paris leg made to take the place of the T. B. leg which she had removed some six months ago, and Wang Silver Flower, thirteen years of age, is waiting for her father to return with her mother's consent to let her have her useless T. B. foot removed.

"Excepting epidemics, probably no disease known in China annually exacts such a toll from the people as tuberculosis. Every thirty-seven seconds there is a death from it," says Mary Ninde Gamewell in her book, "New Life Currents in China," and as we meet with it continually this does not seem difficult to believe.

May the Lord bless his work here, that it may indeed meet the needs of these suffering tubercular people.

HOSPITAL PATIENTS. The two little boys to the left have tuberculosis of the bones of their feet.

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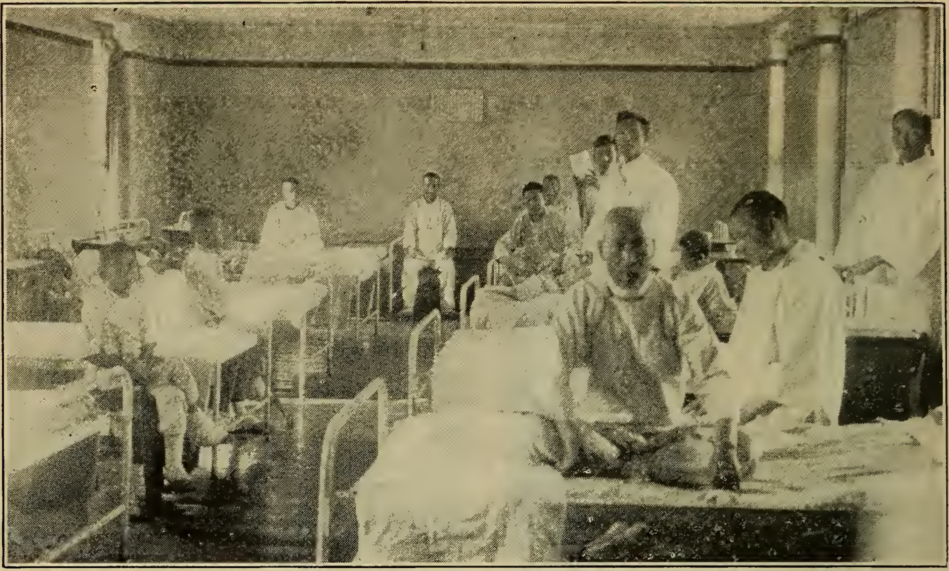
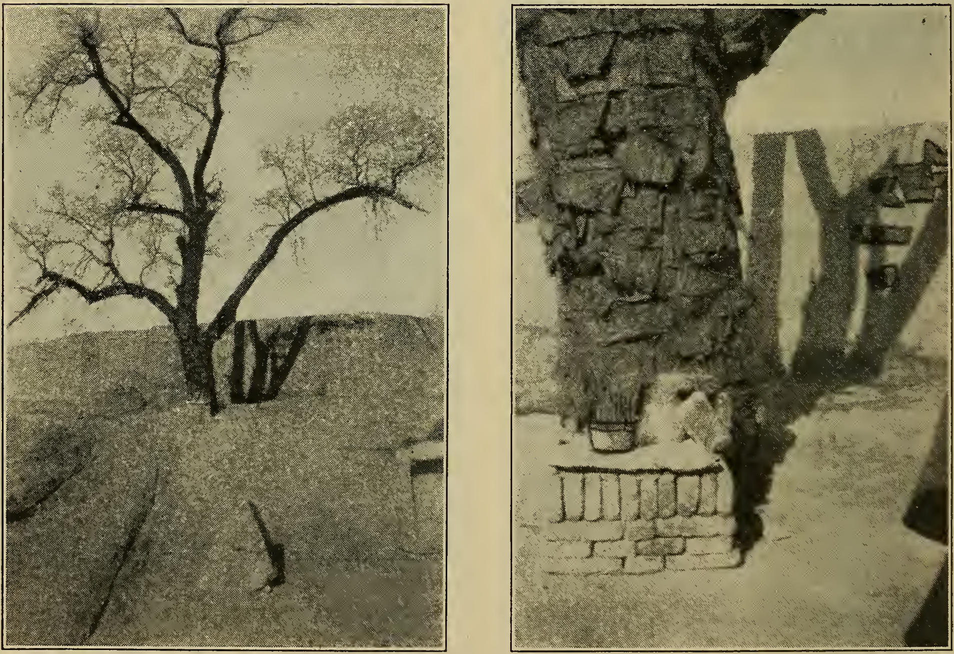


THE LIAO CHOU HOSPITAL MEN'S WARD



A TREE WITH THE SPIRIT OF GOD. Sometime during last winter our missionaries in China were told that the Chinese were worshiping a tree near our mission. A merchant in the city was supposed to have been sick with la grippe. One night he had a vision which told him if he would go to this certain tree and use some of the bark from it and make tea he would be healed. He did this and got well. In a few days this news was published far and wide and others too came there for this medicine. It was supposed to help them because there was a spirit of God in the tree. As the people came for bark they burned incense and bowed before the god there. Some also brought food and left it or set off firecrackers. After they received healing they returned with a piece of paper on which they wrote of their recovery and thanked the god for healing them. The close-up view of the tree shows it to be covered with papers hung there by the healed persons. When the tree would hold no more papers the people put them on the wall, near by, as you will see on the distant view picture.

The Christian Message

Reprinted from the World Mission of Christianity, a Message from the Jerusalem Meeting of the International Missionary Council

Go and Make Disciples of All Nations

THROUGHOUT the world there is a sense of insecurity and instability. Ancient religions are undergoing modification, and in some regions dissolution, as scientific and commercial development alter the current of men's thought. Institutions regarded with age-long veneration are discarded or called in question; well-established standards of moral conduct are brought under criticism; and countries called Christian feel the stress as truly as the peoples of Asia and Africa. On all sides doubt is expressed whether there is any absolute truth or goodness. A new relativism struggles to enthrone itself in human thought.

Along with this is found the existence of world-wide suffering and pain, which expresses itself partly in a despair of all higher values, partly in a tragically earnest quest of a new basis for life and thought, in the birthpangs of rising nationalism, in the ever-keener consciousness of race and class oppression.

Amid widespread indifference and immersion in material concerns we also find everywhere, now in noble forms and now in license or extravagance, a great yearning, especially among the youth of the world, for the full and untrammeled expression of personality, for spiritual leadership and authority, for reality in religion, for social justice, for human brotherhood, for international peace.

In this world, bewildered and groping for its way, Jesus Christ has drawn to Himself the attention and admiration of mankind as never before. He stands before men as plainly greater than Western civilization, greater than the Christianity that the world has come to know. Many who have not hitherto been won to His Church yet find in Him their Hero and their Ideal. Within His Church there is a widespread desire for unity centered in His Person.

Our Message

Against this background and in relation to it, we have to proclaim our message.

Our message is Jesus Christ. He is the revelation of what God is and of what man through Him may become. In Him we come face to face with the ultimate reality of the universe; He makes known to us God as our Father, perfect and infinite in love and in righteousness; for in Him we find God incarnate, the final, yet ever-unfolding, revelation of the God in whom we live and move and have our being.

We hold that through all that happens, in light and in darkness, God is working, ruling and overruling. Jesus Christ, in His life and through His death and resurrection, has disclosed to us the Father, the Supreme Reality, as almighty Love, reconciling the world to Himself by the Cross, suffering with men in their struggle against sin and evil, bearing with them and for them the burden of sin, forgiving them as they, with forgiveness in their own hearts, turn to Him in repentance and faith, and creating humanity anew for an ever-growing, ever-enlarging, everlasting life.

The vision of God in Christ brings and deepens the sense of sin and guilt. We are not worthy of His love; we have by our own fault opposed His holy will. Yet that same vision which brings the sense of guilt brings also the assurance of pardon, if only we yield ourselves in faith to the Spirit of Christ so that His redeeming love may avail to reconcile us to God.

We affirm that God, as Jesus Christ has revealed Him, requires all His children, in all circumstances, at all times, and in all human relationships, to live in love and righteousness for His glory. By the resurrection of Christ and the gift of the Holy Spirit God offers His own power to men that they may be fellow workers with Him, and urges them on to a life of adventure and self-sacrifice in preparation for the coming of His Kingdom in its fulness.

We will not ourselves offer any further formulation of the Christian message, for we remember that as lately as in August, 1927, the World Conference on Faith and Order met at Lausanne, and that a statement on this subject was issued from that Conference after it had been received with full acceptance. We are glad to make this our own.

"The message of the Church to the world is and must always remain the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

"The Gospel is the joyful message of redemption both here and hereafter, the gift of God to sinful man in Jesus Christ.

"The world was prepared for the coming of Christ through the activities of God's Holy Spirit in all humanity, but especially in His revelation as given in the Old Testament; and in the fulness of time the eternal Word of God became incarnate and was made Man, Jesus Christ, the Son of God and the Son of Man, full of grace and truth.

"Through His life and teaching, His call to repentance, His proclamation of the coming of the Kingdom of God and of judgment, His suffering and death, His resurrection and exaltation to the right hand of the Father, and by the mission of the Holy Spirit, He has brought to us forgiveness of sins, and has revealed the fulness of the living God and His boundless love toward us. By the appeal of that love, shown in its completeness on the Cross, He summons us to the new life of faith, self-sacrifice, and devotion to His service and the service of men.

"Jesus Christ, as the crucified and the living One, as Savior and Lord, is also the center of the world-wide Gospel of the Apostles and the Church. Because He Himself is the Gospel, the Gospel is the message of the Church to the world. It is more than a philosophical theory; more than a theological system; more than a program for material betterment. The Gospel is rather the gift of a new world from God to this old world of sin and death; still more, it is the victory over sin and death, the revelation of eternal life in Him who has knit together the whole family in heaven and on earth in the communion of saints, united in the fellowship of service, of prayer, and of praise.

"The Gospel is the prophetic call to sinful man to turn to God, the joyful tidings of justification and of sanctification to those who believe in Christ. It is the comfort of those who suffer; to those who are bound it is the assurance of the glorious liberty of the sons of God. The Gospel brings peace and joy to the heart, and produces in men self-denial, readiness for brotherly service, and compassionate love. It offers the supreme goal for the aspirations of youth, strength to the toiler, rest to the weary, and the crown of life to the martyr.

"The Gospel is the sure source of power for social regeneration. It proclaims the only way by which humanity can escape from those class-and-race-hatreds which devastate society at present into the enjoyment of national well-being and international friendship and peace. It is also a gracious invitation to the non-Christian world, East and West, to enter into the joy of the living Lord.

"Sympathizing with the anguish of our generation, with its longing for intellectual sincerity, social justice, and spiritual inspiration, the Church in the eternal Gospel meets the needs and fulfils the God-given aspirations of the modern world. Consequently, as in the past so also in the present, the Gospel is the only way of salvation. Thus, through His Church, the living Christ still says to men, 'Come unto me! . . . He that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.'"

The Missionary Motive

If such is our message, the motive for its delivery should be plain. The Gospel is the answer to the world's greatest need. It is not our discovery or achievement; it rests on what we recognize as an act of God. It is first and foremost "Good News." It announces glorious Truth. Its very nature forbids us to say that it may be the right belief for some but not for others. Either it is true for all, or it not true at all.

But questions concerning the missionary motive have been widely raised, and such a change in the habits of men's thoughts as the last generation has witnessed must call for a reëxamination of these questions.

Accordingly we would lay bare the motives that impel us to the missionary enterprise. We recognize that the health of our movement and of our souls demands a self-criticism that is relentless and exacting.

In searching for the motives that impel us we find ourselves eliminating decisively and at once certain motives that may seem, in the minds of some, to have become mixed up with purer motives in the history of the movement. We repudiate any attempt on the part of trade or of governments, openly or covertly, to use the missionary cause for ulterior purposes. Our Gospel by its very nature and by its declaration of the sacredness of human personality stands against all exploitation of man by man, so that we cannot tolerate any desire, conscious or unconscious, to use this movement for purposes of fastening a bondage, economic, political, or social, on any people.

Going deeper, on our part we would repudiate any symptoms of a religious imperialism that would desire to impose beliefs and practices on others in order to manage their souls in their supposed interests. We obey a God who respects our wills and we desire to respect those of others.

Nor have we the desire to bind up our Gospel with fixed ecclesiastical forms which derive their meaning from the experience of the Western Church. Rather the aim should be to place at the disposal of the younger churches of all lands our collective and historic experience. We believe that much of that heritage has come out of reality and will be worth sharing. But we ardently desire that the younger churches should express the Gospel through their own genius and through forms suitable to their racial heritage. There must be no desire to lord it over the personal or collective faith of others.

Our true and compelling motive lies in the very nature of the God to whom we have given our hearts. Since He is love, His very nature is to share. Christ is the expression in time of the eternal self-giving of the Father. Coming into fellowship with Christ we find in ourselves an overmastering impulse to share Him with others. We are constrained by the love of Christ and by obedience to His last command. He Himself said, "I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly," and our experience corroborates it. He has become life to us. We would share that life.

We are assured that Christ comes with an offer of life to man and to societies and to nations. We believe that in Him the shackles of moral evil and guilt are broken from human personality and that men are made free, and that such personal freedom lies at the basis of the freeing of society from cramping custom and blighting social practices and political bondage, so that in Christ men and societies and nations may stand up free and complete.

We find in Christ, and especially in His cross and resurrection, an inexhaustible source of power that makes us hope when there is no hope. We believe that through it men and societies and nations that have lost their moral nerve to live will be quickened into life.

We have a pattern in our minds as to what form that life should take. We believe in a Christlike world. We know nothing better; we can be content with nothing less. We do not go to the nations called non-Christian, because they are the worst of the world and they alone are in need—we go because they are a part of the world and share with us in the same human need—the need of redemption from ourselves and from sin, the need to have life complete and abundant and to be remade after this pattern of Christlikeness. We desire a world in which Christ will not be crucified but where His Spirit shall reign.

We believe that men are made for Christ and cannot really live apart from Him. Our fathers were impressed with the horror that men should die without Christ—we share that horror; we are impressed also with the horror that men should live without Christ.

Herein lies the Christian motive; it is simple. We cannot live without Christ and we cannot bear to think of men living without Him. We cannot be content to live in a world that is un-Christlike. We cannot be idle while the yearning of His heart for His brethren is unsatisfied.

Since Christ is the motive, the end of Christian missions fits in with that motive. Its end is nothing less than the production of Christlike character in individuals and societies and nations through faith in and fellowship with Christ the living Savior, and through corporate sharing of life in a divine society.

Christ is our motive and Christ is our end. We must give nothing less, and we can give nothing more.

The Spirit of Our Endeavor

Our approach to our task must be made in humility and penitence and love: in humility, because it is not our own message which we bring, but God's, and if in our delivery of it self-assertion finds any place we shall spoil that message and hinder its acceptance; in penitence because our fathers and we ourselves have been so blind to many of the implications of our faith; in love, because our message is the Gospel of the Love of God, and only by love in our own hearts for those to whom we speak can we make known its power or its true nature.

Especially do we confess the sluggishness of the older churches to realize and discharge their responsibility to carry the Gospel to all the world; and all alike we confess our neglect to bring the ordering of men's lives into conformity with the spirit of Christ. The Church has not firmly and effectively set its face against race-hatred, race-envy, race-contempt, or against social envy and contempt and class-bitterness, or against racial, national, and social pride, or against the lust for wealth and exploitation of the poor or weak. We believe that the Gospel "proclaims the only way by which humanity can escape from class-and race-hatred." But we are forced to recognize that such a claim requires to be made good and that the record of Christendom hitherto is not sufficient to sustain it. Nor has it sufficiently sought out the good and noble elements in the non-Christian beliefs, that it might learn that deeper personal fellowship with adherents of those beliefs wherein they may be more powerfully drawn to the living Christ. We know that even apart from conscious knowledge of Him, when men are true to the best light they have, they are able to effect some real deliverance from many of the evils that afflict the world; and this should prompt us the more to help them to find the fulness of light and power in Christ.

But while we record these failures we are also bound to record with thankfulness the achievements of the Christian Church in this field. The difference between the Europe known to St. Paul and the Europe known to Dante, to Luther, to Wesley is plain for all to see. From every quarter of the globe comes testimony to the liberation effected by Christ for women. Since the vast changes made by the development of industrialism have come to be appreciated, every country has had its Christian social movements and the Universal Conference on Life and Work, held at Stockholm in 1925, revealed how widespread and influential these have become. Truly our efforts have not been commensurate with the needs of the world or with the claim of Christ; but in what has been accomplished and attempted we have already great encouragement for the days to come. In particular there is a growing sensitiveness of conscience with regard to war and the conditions that may lead up to it. For all these indications of the growing power of the spirit of Christ among Christians we thank God. And we call on all Christian people to be ready for pioneering thought and action in the name of Christ. Too often the Church has adopted new truth, or new goals for enterprise, only when the danger attached to them is over. There is a risk of rashness; but there is also possible an excessive caution by which, because His church hangs back, the glory of new truth or enterprise which rightly belongs to Christ is in men's thoughts denied to Him.

The Call to the World

Filled with conviction that Jesus Christ is indeed the Savior of the world, and conscious of a desperate need in ourselves and in all the world for what He only can supply, we call upon our fellow-Christians and all our fellow-men to turn again to Him for pardon and for power.

1. To all the Churches of Christ we call: that they stand firmly upon the rock of Christian conviction and whole-heartedly accept its missionary obligations; that they go forward in full loyalty to Christ to discover and to express, in the power and freedom of the Holy Spirit, the treasures in His unsearchable riches which it is the privilege and duty of each to win for the Universal Church; that they strive to deliver the name of Christ and of Christianity from complicity in any evil or injustice.

Those who proclaim Christ's message must give evidence for it in their own lives and in the social institutions which they uphold. It is by living Christ among men that we

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Notes From the Fields

AFRICA

Garkida for June

Lola Helser

The regular Sunday church services had been held in the church schoolhouse on the mission compound until this month. They are now being conducted in the village church in order to help the village people feel that it is their service. The change has increased the interest and attendance of the village people.

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Mr. and Mrs. Kulp from Dille were with us for a few days this month. Beautiful flowers were placed on the grave of our dear Sister Ruth and Harold Jr., who went from us four years ago the 15th of this month.

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Another group of twelve stood up for Christ. Among this number was one woman who has five living children. Two of her children stood up with her. She said that she could not learn much any more, but she wanted to be saved. Another was a middle-aged married man. One of the first baptized Christians was heard to remark that Christianity is really taking root, now that the older people are beginning to break away from the old-time customs of beer drinking, polygamy, etc. There were two more young married women in the group.

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Three evangelistic tours were planned for during school vacation. Bro. Helser went to Nkerna for the first one. He reports that the tour was very much worth-while. A nice little church, which had been started, was completed by the village people. A devil shrine, which had been worshiped by a common family for generations, was destroyed by the headman of the village. He and his household want to be saved and plan to make their stand for Christ very soon. Another man put away a devil shrine and soon afterwards his little child was bitten by a snake and thought to be dead. Thanks to the miracle which God performed through the vigorous treatment given by the missionary, the child is now well and happy and the father's faith in God has increased. Many are turning towards the light because of this manifestation of God's power. Dr. Gibbel spent a day at Nkerna taking care of the sick folks.

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The medical work has been moved into the native ward on Memorial Hill. It will take some time yet to complete the inside of the main hospital building. Many of the patients had been sleeping in temporary grass huts, and especially since the rains are on they are thankful for better quarters.

Gardemna Notes—March and April

Mrs. Earl M. Flohr

These two months saw the completion of our home here at Gardemna, together with a small building, 14 x 14 feet, for medical work and one of similar size for morning prayers and school work here on the compound. The last-named building was paid for by the Garkida church, including contributions from black folks as well as the white missionaries. During March the final work was done on the church, which the natives of the village built, donating the material and labor. It is 25 x 50, and many a Sunday they fill it. One week the material donated amounted to more than $18. Considering that the daily wage of a laborer here is 8c, this amount corresponds to the wages of 225 men for one day. If a laborer's wage in the United States is $2 per day, this pagan community gave the equivalent of $450. They repeated this two weeks more and then put it together also. Add all this, and you can readily see that these people did something that would just about correspond with the efforts of a community in the United States in erecting a church costing upwards of $2,000. I have never made an estimate, but I believe the population of Gardemna would run around 500 people. The church was dedicated before it was completed. On March 11, Jeneba, the wife of one of our young Christian men, and Heman Gora, a native of Gardemna took their covenant within the enclosure. Two of the second group of young men baptized at Garkida made talks; Birma Dalta, from Garkida, and Hyelandika, Jeneba's husband. Bro. Flohr followed with a short talk and the service of public confession and covenant. Hyelandika and Jeneba have made their home here and are helping with the work in a most splendid way.

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April 25 saw the second group make public confession, again two in number, a young man from a neighboring village who had been helping with building our home here, and one of our boys, who helps with the housework. Pray for these four pioneer Christians at Gardemna.

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During these two months regular preaching was begun in five neighboring villages. This was taken care of by Hyelandika and Mallim, both baptized Christians, and Hyelazheriya, who was awaiting the rite.

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About the middle of April after the bulk of the building had been completed, we began regular daily school for those on and near the compound. Until a permit comes through for a regular school we cannot exceed ten in number, so our school work is necessarily limited for a while. This permit is now toiling in the meshes of governmental red tape, but we are hoping that soon it will emerge.

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The health of our family remains good. Bro. Flohr has just about recovered from indisposition due largely to a bit of overwork. Julia Ann and Lewis Benton are well and happy out here in Africa. Their chickens, goats, and little black playmates keep them busy and contented.

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INDIA

Ahwa

Bertha L. Butterbaugh

The farmers are busy replanting their rice fields. Best of all, one of these rice fields is consecrated to the Lord's work. It came about in this way: There was an abandoned field not in use. It was suggested to several of the leading members that they go together and plant this field. They talked it over among themselves and decided that it should be a church affair. So all the members are going together and furnishing the labor free. The income from the crop will be given to the church.

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On July 27 fifteen men met and formed an organization. Soma Kashya is president and Rama Pandu secretary. They have not as yet named the organization, but it will be something like the Laymen's organization at home. It is hoped that through this organization we may get an increased cooperation and interest in our church.

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July 29 was our special cradle-roll Sunday. Fourteen new names were added to the roll, making the total list sixty-four. Each year the last Sunday of July is observed in a special program for the new cradle roll members.

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The weekly Bible class with the married women has taken on new interest in the past month. Two Bible women spend a portion of each day out in the homes of the people about us.

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The boys and girls' boarding school program is no larger than last year. Owing to the deficit we cannot enlarge our enrollment, but must do everything we can to run on the lowest margin.

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Physical education and supervised recreation have been introduced into the school curriculum.

The kindergarten of twenty lively children is a happy, busy bunch, even though their quarters are too small. We hope for a larger expansion of this department in the future, when funds are available.

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The rain always brings an unforfeited paradise of innumerable forms of buzzing, croaking, howling, and trumpeting animal life. Together with these there are still the little and big dumb creatures which creep and crawl—together they make a motley crew. I won't attempt to give the names of all these creatures which reign in our kingdom just at present, but I must mention that none of them are averse to being in our bungalows during the rainy season. They take the joy out of one's life in the evening when one is trying to read, study, or write letters. I have dreams in the future of screened bungalows to keep out some of these uninvited guests.

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CHINA

Ping Ting Hospital

Edna Flory, R. N.

The Ping Ting hospital has had an average of 46 in-patients each month up to the end of July.

May in-patients, men and women, 60
June in-patients, men and women, 55
July in-patients, men and women, 50

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The month of May we had a large number of injured patients, not soldiers, but the good old farmers that suffered injury when war was in their district. There were twenty some patients that had their hands, and some just fingers, shot off. Many were injured while working in their fields digging in the ground. The Feng Tien, or Chang Tso Lin, had his soldiers bury bombs in the ground in coal. In fact, any place where people would likely be working. It was his aim to do all the damage he could while he had the chance.

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Our Dr. Hsu is doing excellently here in the hospital. He puts all his soul and energy into the work and people like him as they do a foreign doctor.

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The staff of doctors and nurses has been smaller than usual this spring and summer, and with the usual number of patients the workers have been very busy. The shortage of money has forced us to reduce our expenses at every possible point.

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Dr. Wang, who came to us in January, is a fine man, and he and Dr. Hsu are the best of friends and so work together well.

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From Dr. Coffman's reports his work is also progressing well in the country.

The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

Missionary News

Ping Ting Commencement

Fourteen were graduated from the Ping Ting schools last spring. The classes included the kindergartners, the grade graduates and junior high-school graduates. The commencement address was given by Mr. Liu, Y. M. C. A. traveling secretary. He spoke of the place missions had in the past and showed that mission work was far from done. He said he believed students would be less radical in the future, and many of them were commencing to see the value of lives dedicated to service for their fellowmen.

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Chinese Ministry of Interior Draws Up Rules of Conduct for the Nation

The present Nationalist government has in it an unusual number of Christian men. Many believe that the Christian movement in China has turned the corner and is facing a most hopeful future. The four most influential and important ministries are headed by Christian men.

You may be interested in the following twelve rules of conduct for the people, drawn up recently by the ministry of the interior and instructing all provincial governments to proclaim them to the public:

1. Wipe away all national humiliation.
2. Set up and follow a high moral standard.
3. Give up all superstitious beliefs.
4. Use native products.
5. Build and repair roads and highways.
6. Plant more trees.
7. Abstain from drinking, smoking, gambling and other evil habits.
8. Be diligent and thrifty.
9. Take physical exercises.
10. Learn how to read and write.
11. Abolish the custom of foot-binding.
12. Cultivate habits of cleanliness and follow the rules of sanitation.

The Provincial Commissioners of Civil Administration are instructed to devise ways to assist the people in carrying out the above plan of civic and social improvement.

A. R. Kepler.

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A Heart Is Stirred

"My heart has been stirred by several articles written by our missionaries. After I read an article from Africa by one of our mission workers in the August 4 Gospel Messenger, I wanted to share heartily what I have and fully trust the Lord to provide any need that may befall me. Enclosed is my check for $25."

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No Backward Movement in This

A good brother in Iowa, who asks that his name be withheld, sends $50, and says he does not like retrenchments; that he wants to encourage the missionaries to go forward.

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Bandages for Lepers

The American Mission to Lepers, 156 Fifth Ave., New York City, is doing a great work in ministering to lepers in various parts of the world. Many doctors serving in leper areas are working without special compensation and are handicapped by the lack of equipment and trained assistants. Yet they are willing to carry on. The women of America who have committed their lives to doing good work can help by furnishing bandages.

Strong bandages for outer dressings can be washed and used again and again. Any firm cotton or linen cloth is suitable for this. Old sheets or table linen are excellent, cut into two-inch strips, rolled, and fastened with that great national instrument, the safety pin. Even the pin will be used. It will sparkle like a brooch while it holds together the edges of a shawl pinned across the pain-racked shoulders of some leper recipient of your generosity.

What Do Farmers Read?

Professor Ralph A. Felton of the New York State College of Agriculture, Cornell University, has made a study of the reading matter in 178 farm homes in New York. His report recalls the following:

Weekly farm papers,	301
Biweekly or monthly farm magazines,	204
Daily newspapers,	161
Weekly newspapers,	148
Magazines (not agricultural or	235
church papers)	235
Church papers,	14

It appears that religious papers make up only 1 % of the farmers' reading. The daily and weekly newspapers are quite large factors. In the small community, at least, the newspapers are quite willing to publish church news, and here is an opportunity for church folks to bring more religious reading matter to the attention of the reading public.

Adequate Schooling for Missionaries' Children

Sister Susan L. Stoner, missionary to India, in a recent letter tells how she enjoys her work of teaching in the Woodstock School up in the mountains of India. This is a school in which various mission societies are coöperating to provide adequate educational facilities for the children of missionaries and other foreigners residing in India.

Missionaries have accustomed themselves to privations and hardships, but it is a great cross if they cannot provide for their children the very best educational facilities. This coöperative effort provides a good school for the children. There are sacrifices in this, however, for the children must be away from their parents during the school year. The school is located up in the mountains, near the place where our missionaries go periodically during the hot summer months for recuperation. Sister Stoner is teaching forty fifth-grade pupils. She says that the coming of our church publications is next best to a letter from home.

Steps Into the Kingdom

One of our missionaries in Africa has written that fourteen have come out for Jesus at the Gardemna station. He describes the steps which are taken in entering the kingdom.

The missionaries present Jesus Christ in as true a manner as possible, and this creates a desire on the part of the African people to come into the kingdom. Many more than fourteen have said that they are ready, but they must become keenly anxious before they are given too much encouragement.

Those who would become Christians are **(1)** allowed to enter the enquirers' class, where they learn just what taking the covenant means. **(2)** Several weeks later they take the covenant, which is a public confession combined with a series of promises that they will abstain from their former sinful ways, and they testify that they believe Jesus Christ is the Son of God, and promise to learn his way and live it as fast as they learn it. **(3)** They enter the learners' class where they remain until they have shown sufficient growth to justify baptism. **(4)** The rite of baptism is administered, and after that the **fifth, sixth and seventh** steps, and ad infinitum, for indeed there is never an end to the growth in Christian life.

Expanding Ideals of Missions

Dr. Fosdick's book, entitled "Christianity and Progress," has something worthy to say about the expanding ideals of missionary propaganda, for while the missionary sets out with the idea of saving the individual soul, in actual fact his message and mission very soon develop in all manner of unexpected and unanticipated ways which one reader summarizes as follows: "First of all the missionary became an explorer, for if you are to save the people you must go where they are. Then he became a philologist and translator, for if you are going to tell the people what the Gospel is you must tell it in their own language. Then he became a schoolmaster, for what is the use of a book if you cannot read it, even though it be written in your own dialect? Then he became a physician, for if you combat witchcraft you must set into being some other form of curative power. Finally he became an industrial reformer, for if you preach the Fatherhood of God you must practice the brotherhood of man. Starting from the purely individualistic conception of the salvation of the soul, the Christian missionary found himself carried far beyond his ordinary purpose. As Dr. Fosdick says, 'The missionary cause itself has been compelled, whether it would or not, to grow socially-minded.' It is clear, therefore, that if once we begin to preach the Gospel of Christ there is no telling where we can stop; indeed, can we stop anywhere? What boundaries can confine Jesus?"—Dnyanodaya, published at Poona, India, as the organ of six missionary organizations working in the Bombay mission area.

THE REAL LIVE MISSIONARIES

Irene Van Dyke Fierheller

When you've got some real live missionaries, and the missionaries go away,
Some people think it means they throw their lives away;
They talk about the hardships, the work and sacrifice,
As if the Lord were asking for his work too high a price;
And "Oh! Why do you waste your time?" is all you hear them say,
When you've got some real live missionaries and the missionaries go away.

But when you look at Clarence here, as happy as can be,
And then you see Lucille, as eager and as keen as he,
You sorta get to thinking that those folks are in the wrong,
That maybe there are joys that to the Master's work belong,
That somehow we are missing as we go our selfish way,
When you've got some real live missionaries and the missionaries go away.

Sometimes we get to thinking that we're really pretty good;
We never steal, we never kill, nor do a lot that some poor sinners would;
We think we're pretty fine—as least as good as you'd expect—
We live our selfish, carefree life from one day to the next,
Till all at once we find that we're not made of gold, but **clay,**
When we've got some real live missionaries, and the missionaries go away.

We know we'll think of them sometimes, and wonder how they fare;
We'll wonder how the work is going in the jungles over there;
We'll think about the natives—those whose stories we have heard—
And wonder if their poor, starved souls will soon accept the Word.
We'll think of them—we'll speak of them—but more than that, we'll **pray,**
Since we've got some real live missionaries, and the missionaries went away.

Of course, we can't all go—the Master didn't plan that way—
He knew a few would go, but more would stay, to pray and pay;
And as from out our group tonight, these willing workers go,
Just ask yourself this question: "Have I paid the debt I owe?"
I tell you what, it makes you think, and wonder what to say,
When you've got some real live missionaries, and the missionaries go away.

Poem written and read for the farewell reception given by the Polo, Ill., church for Clarence and Lucille Heckman just before they returned to their work in Africa.

ON BEING NEIGHBORS

Adaline Hohf Beery

On beautiful America the sun serenely shines;
The spring is sweet with blushing blooms, of liberal autumn signs;
Blue dome o'erhead, green underfoot, with yellow waves of grain,
Red sunsets, velvet nights, and crystal splash of cooling rain.

'Neath sturdy roof, with quiet sleep on comfortable bed,
With appetizing bounties on a dainty table spread,
With cosy crowd of intimates, alive with bounding health,
With legacies of friendly books, an heir of boundless wealth:

What virile young American, with dowry limitless,
Would wrap him in it and refuse to split his happiness,
When somber eyes are questioning his right to keep it all,
When wails of little brothers beat against his heart's stone wall?

No challenge of Goliath size can thrill a David-soul
Like simple news of stark distress faint for a friendly dole;
No pioneer that hewed a home from stubborn, tangled wild
Found sheerer joy than planting hope in some unlovely child.

Fare forth with sling and pebble, trusting in Jehovah's name;

Girt like a good Samaritan, try out the
neighbor game;
The highways of all nations, lined with
wrecks of humankind,
Will turn to trails of goodness in whatever
deeps they wind.

Fare forth, undaunted missioners! and we'll
go with you far,
If only as we pay your way, where leads
your guiding Star;
Here are the checks of our good-will, endorsed with daily prayers,
And when the Master reaps the world, he
will divide the shares!

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MONTHLY PROGRAM FOR WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

Lesson I

Text. **Friends of Africa.** Cloth, 75c; paper, 50c.

Chapter I, We Discover Africa.

Hymn, O Zion, Haste.

Scripture, Psalm 68: 1-6, 31-35.

Prayer, For all who are studying this book, that true sympathy may be felt for the people of Africa and that a Christlike desire to help them may be born in every heart.

Program, The explorers find Africa: pp. 1, 2; 8-13. Present possessions of Africa. Talk based on map. What has Africa to do with me? pp. 2-4; 15-17; 41. Africa and the Missionary, p. 4; 17-33. Reading: "Give a Thought to Africa."

Note: Text may be ordered from Brethren Publishing House, Elgin, Ill.

Lesson II

Text—**Friends of Africa**—Mackenzie.
Lesson—Chapter 2—The People of Africa.
Hymn—"Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us."
Scripture Reading—Matt. 18: 10-14.
Reading—L'il Brack Sheep—Dunbar.
Prayer—For the people of Africa, that light may shine with their darkness.

Program—

The Women—pp. 44-45; 47-48; 62-64; 71-74.
The Men—pp. 41-43; 48-49; 54-58.
The Religion—pp. 58-61.
The New Day—pp. 66-71
Debate: Resolved, That a teacher of girls in Africa has a greater opportunity than a teacher of girls in America.

BOOK REVIEWS

The Desire of All Nations, by Egbert W. Smith; Doubleday, Doran Company; price, $1.50. Special to Church of the Brethren ministers from the Gish Publishing Fund at 35c. Order from Brethren Publishing House, Elgin, Ill.

Dr. Smith is the executive secretary of the Foreign Mission Board of the Presbyterian Church South. His book is the outgrowth of many years of experience and is intended to meet many needs in connection with the missionary cause.

There are chapters on the Bible and missions, the preacher and missions, the church and missions, the church school and missions, the penny and missions, the critic and missions.

The point of view is frankly biblical. The book assumes an acceptance of an authoritative word of God and a vital Christian experience. It is addressed primarily to those to whom Christ is the unspeakable Gift.

Dr. Smith steers clear of the recent problems facing the mission cause, such as occupied the thought of the International Missionary Council at the recent Jerusalem meeting. Evidently he wishes to leave such questions to others. As the book stands, it could easily be identified with such books as were written twenty-five years ago.

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Beginning at Jerusalem, a play in three short scenes by Anne Charlotte Darlington. 25c.

Shows how an opportunity for work among Jewish people was overlooked by the missionary society. Ten characters, nine young ladies and one young man. Time, 30 minutes. The setting of the play is in a large city. The Ladies' Missionary Society is declining in interest. Peggy, a young girl, does not get interested, much to the regret of the old ladies of the society. Finally Peggy leaves the meeting and goes over to a Jewish home, to which the old ladies do not want her to go. Here she discovers a real missionary work and sets about doing it. The play is a challenge to discover missionary work near at hand.

THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY

Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

BY THE EVENING LAMP

Dear Aunt Adalyn: Seeing you had no letters in the last Visitor I thought I would write to the Junior circle. I wrote once before, and received letters from two or three very nice girls. One of them is still faithful, and writes lovely letters. We have been corresponding a year and a half. I surely enjoy getting letters from other parts of the United States. I am fourteen, and a sophomore in high school. I live on a farm on Weston Mountain, about six miles from town. A gravel road makes travel easy. During harvest time papa was away, working on a combine. I don't suppose the Juniors in the East know much about those machines. It cuts and threshes the grain at the same time. It is pulled by horses or a caterpillar (an engine), and employs five men to run it—driver, header tender, sack sewer, sack jig, and separator man (who takes care of the machinery). Our Sunday-school averages about twenty. It is small, but we all work together. My grandfather, John Bonewitz, is our preacher. We have B. Y. P. D. when convenient, but not many attend. Will some of the girls and boys please write to me? I will guarantee to answer.

Weston, Oregon. Lovena Tucker.

An Easterner is surely impressed with the vastness of things in the far west—the wheat fields, the orchards, the mountains, the canyons, and even the deserts. This is a wonderful country to live in!

Dear Aunt Adalyn: I have been reading your page for a long time, and enjoy it very much. I am nine years of age. My sister Dorothy is eleven, and brother Ellis is thirteen. We all are members of the church. We attend services at Mt. Bethel. My Sunday-school teacher is Mrs. Cora Hess. Rev. and Mrs. Minor Myers, of China, will be at our church Sunday. I am anxious to hear them. Our pastor is Rev. John Hess. We have a live Y. P. D. My great-aunt, Mae Albright, who spent the past year in California, sent the Visitor to my brother for a Christmas gift. We all like to read it. Our house was destroyed by fire May 8. We saved some of our things. I saved our big dolls and quite a few other things. I love to go to school. This year I will be in the fifth grade. Dorothy will be in the seventh grade, and Ellis will be a junior in the Dayton high school. Dorothy and I have been helping mother all we can, as she is not very well. Ellis helps papa with the milking. He is plowing corn today. How many of the Juniors like music, I wonder? We are all so fond of it. Mother and we three children can all play the piano. Dorothy and I sing duets together. I must close now and help mother get dinner.

Your little friend,

Hinton, Va. Donna Matheny.

I think I would like very much to step into your home some day and listen to some of those duets. And to talk with mother while you are setting the table. And to hear Ellis tell how he learned to milk. But you say your home was burned. I am so sorry. Where are you staying till you can get a new house built? Bring your dolls along next time.

Dear boys and girls:

Do you like riddles? You can't enjoy them any more than the Chinese boys and girls do, for they write them on their pretty paper lanterns, have them in their readers at school, have contests to see who can make the best one, and one can find some of them in almost any newspaper he picks up. Many of the answers are Chinese words (which are really pictures) of some queer shape; in others the answer is a verse from their sacred books, just like our Bible conundrums. It would be hard to translate such riddles into good English, but in many others the riddle simply consists of a rather unusual description, and these can be translated. I am sending you a few samples, and if you will write me a letter with the answers, I'll be glad to send you some more and answer any questions you may have about the boys and girls out here. I am living out in the country and hardly ever get to talk English any more, but I think I can still read your letters if you don't use too big words.

Carl F. Coffman,

Liao Chou, Shansi, China.

Chinese Riddles

(1)

One to his companion:

"You go and I go, but while I go a whole round you go only a step; I really don't see how one is to get along with such a lazy fellow."

(Two things).

(2)

He can talk like you and me,
Both his eyes can clearly see,
He's as clever as can be,
Mind your cursing? No, not he.

(A person).

(3)

A red bow with a green bowstring.

(Something we often see in the summertime).

(4)

When it walks it waddles, yet it's neither beast nor man;
White clothes, yellow shoes and in each hand a big white fan;
You can't make it wet with water, nor does it mind the rain.

(A live thing).

(5)

Bamboo and paper make a goose
That can fly o'er the highest hill;
When the wind blows, it dances in glee,
But the tiniest shower will kill.

(A thing).

(You will find the answers somewhere in this issue of the Visitor. But do not look for them until you have tried hard to think out the answers yourself.—Aunt Adalyn.)

Answers to Chinese Riddles

1. Hands of a watch.
2. A deaf man.
3. A rainbow.
4. A goose or duck.
5. A kite.

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NUTS TO CRACK

Months Having a National Holiday

1. Ray be fur.
2. Yam.
3. Beer stem P.
4. Y Una jar.
5. Lu Jy.
6. Move Ben, R.
7. Rip, Al.
8. Deer me, C. B.

Hidden Trees

Find the trees in bold-faced letters)

1. Here is a **map; let** us find California.
2. Haz**el met** her friend down town.

3. You must **pin** every garment securely.
4. Put a lock on the **chest; nuts** might be stolen.
5. While firecrackers **pop, larks** are singing.
6. Did you ever see a **bee chew** honey?
7. He is very **firm** in his treatment.
8. I broke my arm, **Will; O,** What shall I do?

(Answers next month)

AUGUST NUTS CRACKED

Transformations.—1. Lost—lots. 2. Mote—tome. 3. Tire—rite. 4. Rule—lure. 5. Link—kiln. 6. Brad-bard. 7. Sure—ruse. 8. Pane—nape.

A Flower Garden.—1. Petunia. 2. Marigold. 3. Narcissus. 4. Begonia. 5. Geranium. 6. Larkspur. 7. Snowdrop. 8. Sweet pea.

THE JUNIOR LEAGUE OF THE GOSHEN CITY CHURCH, Goshen, Indiana, with their four Friendship and Goodwill School Bags sent to Mexico.

Sixteen-Year-Old Boy Dedicates Life and Means

We like the spirit of this young lad, who writes: "I was baptized in May and am very happy ever since. I see by the Messenger that you are in great need of mission funds, and I have decided to give one-tenth of my earnings, which you will find enclosed ($16).

"I will not wait until the end of the year, but will send it in quarterly, so you can put it to instant use. May the Lord bless your Mission Board."

THE MISSION PROJECT WORKERS

New workers are being reported for the 1928 projects. It will be remembered that the children are working for the medical part of the India mission work and the young people for the evangelistic undeavors. Recently a group of young people said they were unable to start in the work last spring at the time of planting crops, but now they are going to work during the last three months of the year.

From August 10 to September 12, the following new workers have been reported:

Congregation	**J. C. L.**	**B. Y. P. D.**
Previously reported	3.511	1,611
Southern Iowa		
Salem		11
Michigan		
Midland		20
Sugar Ridge	27	
Okla., Panhandle of Texas and N. M.		
Big Creek		10
Falfurrias		10
Southern Pennsylvania		
Upper Codorus (Melrose S. S.)	30	
Northern Virginia		
Mt. Zion	24	

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A piece of coal lay far down in the heart of the earth, and sighed because no one had any use for it. But the miner arrived and hewed it out, and sent it into an old woman's grate on Christmas morning. There the light and heat it had gathered from the sun long centuries before warmed and brightened the old woman's face. Moral: A time and place for everything, and everything in its place and time.

THE CHRISTIAN MESSAGE

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may most effectively lift Him up before them. The spirit that returns love for hate, and overcomes evil with good, must be evidently present in those who would be witnesses for Christ. They are also bound to exert all their influence to secure that the social, international, and inter-racial relationships in the midst of which their work is done, are subordinate to and expressive of His spirit. Especially must it be a serious obstacle to missionary effort if a non-Christian country feels that the relation of the so-called Christian countries to itself is morally unsound or is alien from the principles of Christ, and the Church must be ready for labor and sacrifice to remove whatever is justly so condemned.

The task before us is beyond our powers. It can only be accomplished by the Holy Spirit, whose power we receive in its completeness only in the fellowship of Christ's disciples. We call all followers of Christ to take their full share as members of His Body, which is the Church; no discontent with its organization or tradition or failings should be allowed to keep us outside its fold; the isolated Christian is impoverished in his spiritual life and impotent in his activities; our strength, both inward and outward, is in the living fellowship. But in these hurried and feverish days there is also more need than ever for the deepening of our spiritual life through periodical detachment from the world and its need in lonely communion with God. We desire also to call for a greater volume of intercessory prayer. The whole Church should be earnest and instant in prayer, each part for every other, and all together for the Church's unity and for the hallowing of God's Name throughout the world.

Further, we call on Christians in all lands who are trained in science, art, or philosophy to devote their talents to the working out of that Christian view of life and the world which we sorely need to secure us against instability, bewilderment, and extravagance.

Lastly, we urge that every possible step be taken to make real the fellowship of the Gospel. The churches of the West send missions and missions-of-help to the churches of Africa and Asia. We believe that the time is come when all would gain if the younger churches were invited to send missions-of-help to the churches of Europe and America, that they may minister of their treasure to the spiritual life of those to whom they come.

2. To non-Christians also we make our call. We rejoice to think that just because in Jesus Christ the light that lighteneth every man shone forth in its full splendor, we find rays of that same light where He is unknown or even is rejected. We welcome every noble quality in non-Christian persons or systems as further proof that the Father, who sent His Son into the world, has nowhere left Himself without witness.

Thus, merely to give illustration, and making no attempt to estimate the spiritual value of other religions to their adherents, we recognize as part of the one Truth that sense of the Majesty of God and the consequent reverence in worship, which are conspicuous in Islam; the deep sympathy for the world's sorrow and unselfish search for the way of escape, which are at the heart of Buddhism; the desire for contact with Ultimate Reality conceived as spiritual, which is prominent in Hinduism; the belief in a moral order of the universe and consequent insistence on moral conduct, which are inculcated by Confucianism; the disinterested pursuit of truth and of human welfare which are often found in those who stand for secular civilization but do not accept Christ as their Lord and Savior.

Especially we make our call to the Jewish people, whose Scriptures have become our own, and "of whom is Christ as concerning the flesh," that with open heart they turn to that Lord in whom is fulfilled the hope of their nation, its prophetic message, and its zeal for holiness. And we call upon our fellow Christians in all lands to show to Jews that loving-kindness that has too seldom been shown towards them.

We call on the followers of non-Christian religions to join with us in the study of Jesus Christ as He stands before us in the Scriptures, His place in the life of the world, and His power to satisfy the human heart; to hold fast to faith in the unseen and eternal in face of the growing materialism of the world; to coöperate with us against all the evils of secularism; to respect freedom of conscience so that men may confess Christ without separation from home and friends; and to discern that all the good of which men have conceived is fulfilled and secured in Christ.

Christianity is not a Western religion, nor is it yet effectively accepted by the Western world as a whole. Christ belongs to the peoples of Africa and Asia as much as to the European or American. We call all men to equal fellowship in Him. But to come to Him is always self-surrender. We must not come in the pride of national heritage or religious tradition; he who would enter the Kingdom of God must become as a little child, though in that Kingdom are all the treasures of man's aspirations, consecrated and harmonized. Just because Christ is the self-disclosure of the One God, all human aspirations are towards Him, and yet of no human tradition is He merely the continuation. He is the desire of all nations; but He is always more, and other, than they had desired before they learnt of Him.

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FINANCIAL REPORT

Tract Distribution: During the month of July the Board sent out 1,328 doctrinal tracts.

Correction No. 10: See September, 1928, Visitor, under China Missionary Supports, $10.56 of this credit should have been for the support of Maurine Miller, India.

July Receipts: The following contributions for the various funds were received during July:

WORLD-WIDE MISSIONS

Africa—$20.00

Indv.: Clarence C. Heckman & Wife, ...$ 20.00

Alabama—$15.00

Cong.: G. W. Petcher (Fruitdale), ... 15.00

Arizona—$61.74

Cong.: Glendale, $43.89; Flora M. Statler (Glendale), $5; S. S.: Glendale, $12.85, ... 61.74

California—$50.00

No. Dist., Cong.: Modesto, $8.92; Mrs. H. B. Mohler (Butte Valley), $5; J. A. Calvert (Codora), $5; J. F. Eller (Empire), $5; I. V. Funderburgh (Figarden), $10; C. H. Yoder (Fresno), $10; Robt. H. Jenkinson (Laton), $10; Frances Dunger (Lindsay), $5; A. S. Harshbarger (Lindsay), $250; J. W. Barnett (Live Oak), $5; Mary R. Fillmore (Live Oak), $5; J. H. Barnhart (Modesto), $5; Mrs. P. J. Kappler (Modesto), $10; "A Brother" (Reedley), $25; Vernice Robertson (Rio Linda), $10; S. S.: Modesto, $22.56; Indv:; Julia Erdman, $10; Arthur K. Fike, $5; H. P. Lehman, $40; Mrs. H. A. Van Horn, $25; A. M. Whipple, $10, ... 481.48

So. Dist., Cong.: Glendora, $231.72; La Verne, $12; Long Beach, $447.62; C. W. Wampler (Calvary, Los Angeles), $5; C. Walter Warstler (M. N.) (Calvary, Los Angeles), $2.50; Covina: Elizabeth E. Aschenbrenner, $25; Esther Funk, $10; S. W. Funk, $25; Wm. Holderman, $4; F. C. Myers, $5; Elma M. Overholtzer, $10; Eulalia Overholtzer, $100; Dove L. Sauble, $5; Pearl M. Saul, $1; Mrs. C. W. Richardson (Glendora), $25; Susan B. Brubaker (Hemet), $5; Chas. C. Myers (Hemet), $2; J. A. Waters (Hermosa Beach), $10; La Verne: Mrs. H. B. Beckner, $10; Grant W. Bowman & Family, $100; Isaiah Breneman, $101.20; Isaiah Breneman & Wife, $277.54; C. C. Brubaker, $4; O. M. Butterbaugh, $10; F. P. Detter & Wife, $275; P. V. DuBois and Wife, $12; Mary U. Early, $5; E. E. Ebersole, $5; Lena B. Eikenberry, $5; Ruth E. Emley, $5; Merle Fike, $5; Mrs. Benj. Flora, $9.28; Mrs. John W. Fox, $5; Harper W. Frantz, $5; Mrs. Sadie Funderburgh, $5; J. P. Harshbarger, $5; Mary Hoke, $5; Mrs. Geo. Hollenberg, $10; D. P. Holsinger, $5; L. C. Klinzman, $25; Eunice E. Kreps, $7; J. A. Landis, $2; J. Hortense Lear, $25; Elice B. Neher, $25; Lottie E. Neher, $5; Lela B. Newcomer, $10; S. A. Overholzer, $5; T. P. Oxley, $5; Margaret Price, $3; Ruth E. Price, $25; Reatha Rensberger, $5; P. J. Shirk, $10; Elder John K. Shively, $5; J. R. Smith, $4; J. R. Snavely & Wife, $5; E. M. Studebaker (M. N.) $.50; Ernest D. Vaniman, $10; Mrs. J. P. Vaniman, $10; Carson N. Weaver, $10; R. H. Wolf, $5; Unknown Donor, $5; Unknown Donor, $5; E. J. Cline (Long Beach), $10; M. Mabel Early (Los Angeles), $10; Mrs. R. L. Faulkner (Los Angeles), $2; F. B. Freeberg (First Los Angeles), $1; Fayanna Wilson (Los Angeles), $3; Unknown Donors (Los Angeles), $18; Pasadena, Walter B. Gilbert, $10; Sarah Gnagey, $5; Edith E. Keim, $6; Effie I. Schrock, $25; W. E. Trostle, $5; C. J. Horner (Pomona), $6; O. L. Minnich (Pomona), $10; Mrs. M. H. Anderson (Santa Ana), $5; J. R. Teter (Santa Ana), $5; Indv.: I. D. Bosserman, $5; Mrs. L. D. Bosserman, $5; Lillian M. Browning, $5; E. R. Brubaker, $5; W. E. Brubaker, $5; D. W. Crist, $5; Mrs. Glenn Alvin Hipes, $5; P. J. Hofstetter, $5; J. H. Huff, $10; Amos M. Jacobs & Wife, $5; Mrs. V. W. Keller, $5; Pauline E. Moomaw, $10; G. A. Riddlebarger, $10; Mrs. E. R. Root, $10; Anna W. Strickler, $5; W. A. Van Horn, $2.50; Unknown Donors, $1.25; Tourist Car. N. G., $13.30, ... 2,234.41

Canada—$55.00

Cong.: C. A. Detter (Bow Valley), $50; Edward Blocher (First Irricana), $5, ... 55.00

Colorado—$130.75

E. Dist., Cong.: I. C. Snavely (M. N.) Haxtun), $.50; MaBell Oxley (Wiley), $5, .. 5.50

W. Dist., Cong.: First Grand Valley, ... 125.25

China—$20.00

Indv.: Ruth F. Ulrey, ... 20.00

Florida—$12.35

S. S.: Sebring, ... 12.35

Hawaii—$10.00

Indv.: Earl W. Roop, ... 10.00

Idaho—$5.00

Cong.: Mrs. Grant Fisher (Fruitland), .. 5.00

Illinois—$425.65

No. Dist., Cong.: Yellow Creek, $16.21; Frank N. Sargent (First Chicago), $5; Edith G. Slifer (Chicago), $5; Pearl Stouffer (Chicago), $5; Unknown Donor (Chicago), $20; Chas. D. Bonsack & Wife (Elgin), $40; Edna Wolf (Franklin Grove), $4; J. P. Holsinger (Mt. Morris), $10; W. W. Peters (Mt. Morris), $5; S. S.: Batavia, $7.60; Franklin Grove, $6.38; Sterling, $6.79, ... 130.98

So. Dist., Cong.: Cerro Gordo, $5.04; Champaign, $9.10; Girard, $157.71; Virden, $6.29; Walter McBride (Allison Prairie) $2; Mary Wickert (Astoria), $20; C. T. McGuire (M. N.) (Canton), $.50; Phil A. Shearer (Decatur), $25; Chas. D. Wilkison (Kaskaskia), $2.50; A. H. Leinard (Martin Creek), $1; W. E. Hardman (Oak Grove), $4; Lev. Moreland (Oak Grove), $2; Wm. C. Hare (Oak Grove), $5; Raymond Schultz (Oak Grove), $2; Mrs. Raymond Schultz (Oak Grove), $2; Arthur Armstrong (Panther Creek), $5; J. W. Cauley (Panther Creek), $1; Chas. McCauley (Panther Creek), $5; Harold Wiley & Wife (Panther Creek), $8; John Fradenburg (Romine), $4; Carl L. Shawgo (Woodland), $2; Indv.: H. W. Strickler, $5; Missionary Meeting of Decatur, Brick, Cerro Gordo, and Okaw, $20.53, ... 294.67

India—$77.00

Indv.: J. M. Blough, $27; Goldie E. Swartz, $50, ... 77.00

Indiana—$246.74

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Bachelor Run, $24.57; Bethel Center. $5; Walton, $3.50; Otho Winger & Wife (Manchester), $20; S. S.: Burnettsville, $12, ... 65.07

No. Dist., Cong.: English Prairie, $43.67; Bertha M. Neher Stine (North Winona), $10, 53.67

So. Dist., Cong.: Mary Brandle (Beech Grove), $3; Susan V. Renforth (Beech Grove), $5; Esther V. Hawkins (Buck

Creek), $10; F. M. Bowers (Indianapolis), $50; Mrs. F. M. Bowers (Indianapolis), $10; Mrs. Rose E. Oyler (Kokomo), $5; Mrs. Clarence Possman (Kokomo), $10; C. E. Boonler, $4; Dora Mitchell, $5; Frank Russell, $4; Vincent Youngblood, $4; (Maple Grove); M. A. Barnhart (Pyrmont), $4; Orlando Fetterhoff (Pyrmont), $4; E. G. Houmard (Pyrmont), $4; Ellie Love (Windfall), $1; Aid Soc.: White Branch (Nettle Creek), $5, ... 128.00

Iowa—$536.35

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Brooklyn, $37.44; Cedar Rapids, $267.68; Panther Creek, $126.73; Estella G. Elliott (Beaver), $2; An Individual (Iowa River), $15; C. Z. Reitz (Maxwell), $23.10; A. M. Stine & Wife (Panther Creek), $25; S. S.: Pleasant View (Cedar), $2.40, ... 499.35

No. Dist., Cong.: Ed. Eikenberry (Greene), $20; Mae Albright (Ivester), $10; Uriah S. Blough (South Waterloo), $2; Lida Knepper (South Waterloo), $5, ... 37.00

Kansas—$288.68

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Lone Star, $75.68; J. E. Peck & Wife (Morrill), $2; W. E. Watkins (Ottawa), $10, ... 87.68

N. W. Dist., Cong.: F. A. Wagner (Victor), ... 1.00

S. E. Dist., Cong.: Katie Schul (Fredonia), ... 30.00

S. W. Dist., Cong.: R. O. Boon (McPherson), $10; V. F. Schwalm (McPherson), $5; Mary E. Stutsman (McPherson), $25; John A. Campbell (Parsons), $5; Women's Missionary Society (McPherson), $125, ... 170.00

Maryland—$824.23

E. Dist., Cong.: Myersville (Middletown Valley), $234.03; Unknown Donor (Meadow Branch), $1; Helper (Piney Creek), $3; Mrs. J. C. McKinney (Sam's Creek), $5; Mattie H. Miller (Washington City), $5; S. S.: Pleasant Hill (Bush Creek), $2.50; Green Hill, $1, ... 251.52

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Hagerstown, $450; Welsh Run, $25.73; S. S.: Junior Christian Endeavor (Hagerstown), $50, ... 525.73

W. Dist., Cong.: Georges Creek, $11.83; Westernport, $30.15; C. H. Merrill & Wife (Cherry Grove), $5, ... 46.98

Michigan—$73.97

Cong.: Crystal, $11.12; Hart, $25; Onekama, $10; S. S.: Grand Rapids, $5.49; D. V. B. S.: New Haven, $12.36; Indv.: Phoebe M. Oaks, $10, ... 73.97

Minnesota—$56.46

Cong.: A. J. Nickey & Wife (Monticello), $50; S. S.: Guthrie, $1.46; Indv.: Orin Chapman, $5, ... 56.46

Missouri—$36.03

Mid. Dist., Indv.: John Pippenger, ... 10.00

No. Dist., Cong.: Ira M. Hoover (Smith Fork), $5; Unknown Donor (Smith Fork), $5; S. S.: Wakenda, $6.03, ... 16.03

So. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. Clay Dillon (Nevada), ... 10.00

Nebraska—$114.52

Cong.: Afton, $2.98; Enders, $12.93; Falls City, $38.90; Octavia, $4; No. 107497 (Juniata), $38; W. S. Barkdoll (Kearney), $5; Mary A. Hargleroad (Silver Lake), $10; S. S.: Lincoln, $2.71, ... 114.52

North Dakota—$16.00

Cong.: Grand View, $11.50; Earl L. Flora (M. N.) (Ellison) $.50; Indv.: G. K. Newsom, $4, ... 16.00

Ohio—$806.64

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Akron, $11.60; Ashland City, $165.26; Danville, $35.47; Springfield, $11.26; Zion Hill, $76.75; Mrs. T. M. Arnold (Mohican), $.50; Aid Soc.: Wooster, $5, ... 305.84

N. W. Dist., Cong.: Black Swamp, $35; Mrs. L. H. Dickey (Fostoria), $2; Jay F. Hornish (Poplar Ridge), $5; S. S.: Poplar Ridge, $7.42, ... 49.42

So. Dist., Cong.: Castine, $2.30; Donnels Creek, $80; Pitsburg, $16.96; Pleasant Hill, $77; Salem, $10; Union City, $95.21; Congs. of Dist., $93.44; Guy E. Studebaker (New Carlisle), $5; Mrs. Levi Minnich (Painter Creek), $10; Van B. Wright (M. N.) (East Dayton), $1; Amanda J. Warner (West Dayton), $6; S. S.: Greenville, $19.13; Lower Miami, $25.73; Union City, $9.61, ... 451.38

Oklahoma—$58.25

Cong.: Washita, $5; J. W. Battey & Wife (Washita), $50; Indv.: Martha Porter, $3.25, 58.25

Oregon—$97.00

Cong.: Grants Pass, $71; B. M. Lininger (Ashland), $15; R. C. Flory (Grants Pass), $5; Unknown Donor (Grants Pass), $1; Mrs. Minta Schechter (Portland), $5, ... 97.00

Pennsylvania—$2,184.38

E. Dist., Cong.: R. W. Schlosser (Elizabethtown), $20; Unknown Donor (Elizabethtown), $1; Unknown Donor (Elizabethtown), $1; Mrs. A. E. Emmert (Harrisburg), $5; Charles M. Firestone (Spring Creek), $16; Elizabeth M. Grosh (W. Green Tree), $4, .. 47.00

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Carson Valley, $5.50; Dry Valley, $95.72; Roaring Spring, $167.13; Yellow Creek, $18.64; Mayetta Hornick (Dunnings Creek), $2; Mary A. Kinsey, (Dunnings Creek), $20; Frank Myers (Huntingdon), $10; J. M. Pittenger (Huntingdon), $10; S. S.: Sugar Run (Aughwick), $5.29; Maitland (Dry Valley), $6.72; Truth Seekers Class, Roaring Spring, $32.87; Curryville, (Woodbury) $8.60; Yellow Creek, $8.79; Women's Missy. Soc.: First Altoona, $6, .. 397.26

S. E. Dist., Cong.: Germantown (Philadelphia), $361.66; Anna M. Brubaker (First Philadelphia), $25; S. S.: Norristown, $7.17; Indv.: D. G. Hendricks, $10, ... 403.83

So. Dist., Cong.: Carlisle, $100; Lower Conewago, $6; Waynesboro, $1,000; Margaret E. Oellig (Back Creek), $5; Mary E. Bixler (York), $1; S. S.: Hanover, $9.53; Melrose (Upper Codorus), $5.07, ... 1,126.60

W. Dist., Cong.: Locust Grove, $12.50; Moxham, $100; Roxbury, $50; Ten Mile, $8; Wreatha L. Winters (Cumberland), $15; S. S.: Red Bank, $4.19; Indv.: J. C. Brumbaugh, $20, ... 209.69

South Dakota—$5.58

S. S.: Willow Creek, ... 5.58

Virginia—$115.54

E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. S. G. Cline (Staunton), $4; S. S.: Valley, $17.50, ... 21.50

First Dist., Cong.: B. R. Ikenberry (Daleville), $10; Indv.: Mrs. Sallie E. Pursley, $4.50, ... 14.50

No. Dist., Cong.: L. R. Dettra & Wife (Salem), $10; E. E. Scott (Salem), $5, ... 15.00

Sec. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Bethel (Beaver Creek), $8; A Sister (Beaver Creek), $5; Mrs. Ida B. Showalter (Pleasant Valley), $20; S. S.: Bridgewater, $14.54; Indv.: A. F. Pursley, $5, ... 52.54

So. Dist., Cong.: Pauline Nolley Christiansburg), $10; Sarah J. Hylton (Coulson), $2, ... 12.00

Washington—$112.27

Cong.: Olympia, $40.64; J. O. Snider (Forest Center), $5; Lester Murray (Omak), $2; Mary Brallier (Sunnyside), $5; Emma Kilmer (Tacoma), $25; Robert F. Hiner (Wenatchee Valley), $20; S. N. Huffman (Wenatchee Valley), $10; S. S.: Whitestone, $4.63, ... 112.27

West Virginia—$10.00

First Dist., Cong.: Robert Walford, (Red Creek), ... 1.00

Sec. Dist., Cong.: Sadie Davis (Beans Chapel), $5; Orpha Kirk (Pleasant Hill), $4, 9.00

Wisconsin—$4.18

S. S.: Maple Grove, $2; Stanley, $2.18, ... 4.18

Total for the month, ...$ 9,135.20

Total previously reported,	19,198.03
Total for the year,	$28,333.23

STUDENT FELLOWSHIP FUND—1927-28

California—$59.27	
So. Dist., Student Volunteers of La Verne College,	$ 59.27
Kansas—$100.00	
S. W. Dist., Student Volunteers of McPherson College,	100.00
Total for the month,	$ 159.27
Total previously reported,	1,156.95
Total for the year,	$ 1,316.22

AID SOCIETY MISSION FUND—1927

Washington—$5.25	
Aid Soc.: Okanogan Valley,	$ 5.25
Total for the month,	$ 5.25
Total previously reported,	3,491.92
Total for the year,	$ 3,497.17

HOME MISSIONS

California—$2.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: Unknown Donor (Long Beach),	$ 2.00
Nebraska—$10.00	
Indv.: J. K. Craton,	10.00
Ohio—$10.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: S. Z. Smith (Sidney),	10.00
West Virginia—$5.00	
Sec. Dist., Cong.: M. C. Czigan (Pleasant Valley),	5.00
Total for the month,	$ 27.00
Total previously reported,	506.36
Total for the year,	$ 533.36

HOME MISSIONS SHARE PLAN

Virginia—$25.00	
No. Dist., Aid Soc.: Mill Creek,	$ 25.00
Total for the month,	$ 25.00
Total previously reported,	310.00
Total for the year,	$ 335.00

GREENE COUNTY, VIRGINIA, MISSION

Indiana—$8.88	
No. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Elkhart City,	$ 8.88
Iowa—$10.54	
No. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Spring Creek,	10.54
Maryland—$20.00	
Mid. Dist., Aid Soc.: Maugansville (Broadfording),	20.00
Total for the month,	$ 39.42
Total previously reported,	149.92
Total for the year,	$ 189.34

FOREIGN MISSIONS

California—$10.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: Clara Neher Vaniman (La Verne),	$ 10.00
Maryland—$5.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: Mrs. E. C. Bixler (Pipe Creek),	5.00
Ohio—$26.72	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: A Sister (Black River),	10.00
N. W. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Bellefontaine,	12.54
So. Dist., S. S.: Middletown,	4.18
Pennsylvania—$245.50	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Clover Creek, $125; A Member (Artemas), $3; Unknown Donor (Artemas), $10; Indv.: F. B. Statler & Wife, $20,	158.00
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Bethany (Philadelphia), $10; Pottstown, $25; Ross D. Murphy & Wife (First Philadelphia), $1.50,	36.50
So. Dist., Cong.: Lower Conewago, $34; Geo. Byers & Wife (Carlisle), $1,	35.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Geiger,	25.00
Washington—$20.00	
Cong.: Samuel Bock (No. Spokane),	20.00
Total for the month,	$ 316.22
Total previously reported,	1,045.00
Total for the year,	$ 1,361.22

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1927

Indiana—$6.50	
No. Dist., S. S.: Junior Class, Middlebury,	$ 6.50
Ohio—$38.50	
So. Dist., S. S.: Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater), $31.50; Junior Dept., Pleasant Hill, $7,	38.50
Total for the month,	$ 45.00
Total previously reported,	333.64
Total for the year,	$ 378.64

JUNIOR LEAGUE—1928

California—$17.10	
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior Dept., Pasadena, $15; La Verne Conference Juniors, $2.10,	$ 17.10
Idaho—$2.29	
S. S.: Winchester,	2.29
Illinois—$28.14	
No. Dist., D. V. B. S.: First Chicago,	28.14
Michigan—$7.65	
D. V. B. S.: Battle Creek,	7.65
Ohio—$13.80	
N. E. Dist., S. S.: Children of Ashland Dickey,	9.80
So. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, Eaton (Upper Twin),	4.00
Pennsylvania—$7.47	
W. Dist., S. S.: Fairview Junior League (Georges Creek),	7.47
Total for the month,	$ 76.45
Total previously reported,	278.38
Total for the year,	$ 354.83

B. Y. P. D. FUND—1928

Arizona—$4.00	
B. Y. P. D.: Glendale,	$ 4.00
Idaho—$15.00	
B. Y. P. D.: Emmett,	15.00
Illinois—$45.90	
No. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Elgin, $25; Milledgeville, $15; Rockford, $4.55; Shannon, $1.35,	45.90
Iowa—$37.50	
Mid. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Iowa River, $15.25; Panther Creek, $22.25,	37.50
Maryland—$5.00	
Mid. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Pleasant View,	5.00
North Dakota—$18.67	
S. S.: Young People's Class, Kenmare,	18.67
Ohio—$65.00	
N. W. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Pleasant View,	10.00
S. Dist., Cong.: Harry McPherson (Dayton), $30; S. S.: Fellowship Class, Trotwood, $25,	55.00
Oregon—$12.50	
B. Y. P. D.: Myrtle Point,	12.50
Pennsylvania—$42.45	
Mid. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: New Enterprise, $28.05; Spring Run, $9.40,	37.45
S. E. Dist., S. S.: Intermediate Dept., Calvary (Phila),	5.00
Washington—$15.21	
B. Y. P. D.: Omak, $11; S. S.: Intermediate Class, Sunnyside, $4.21,	15.21
Total for the month,	$ 261.23
Total previously reported,	654.54
Total for the year,	$ 915.77

INDIA MISSION

California—$50.00	
So. Dist., Indv.: Esther LaFollette, ...$	50.00
Indiana—$34.34	
So. Dist., Cong.: Nettle Creek, ...	34.34
Maryland—$13.06	
W. Dist., Cong.: Cherry Grove, ...	13.06
Pennsylvania—$154.62	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Royersford, $5.33; S. S.: Royersford, $149.29, ...	154.62
Total for the month, ...$	252.02
Total previously reported, ...	940.04
Total for the year, ...$	1,192.06

INDIA NATIVE WORKER

Maryland—$50.00	
E. Dist., Cong.: Edward C. Bixler & Wife (Pipe Creek), ...$	50.00
Ohio—$40.00	
N. W. Dist., Aid Soc.: Pleasant View, ..	25.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Greenville, ...	15.00
Total for the month, ...$	90.00
Total previously reported, ...	260.00
Total for the year, ...$	350.00

INDIA BOARDING SCHOOL

Iowa—$5.00	
So. Dist., S. S.: So. Keokuk, ...$	5.00
Total for the month, ...$	5.00
Total previously reported, ...	431.08
Total for the year, ...$	436.08

INDIA SHARE PLAN

California—$12.50	
No. Dist., S. S.: "I Will Class," Empire, $	12.50
Illinois—$25.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: "True Blue" Class, Pine Creek, ...	25.00
Indiana—$100.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Pipe Creek, ...	100.00
Iowa—$50.00	
Mid Dist., Sunday Schools, ...	50.00
Maryland—$25.00	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Philathea Class, Hagerstown, ...	25.00
Ohio—$38.75	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: Henry F. Kohler (Bethel), ...	20.00
So. Dist., S. S.: Altruistic Class, East Dayton, $12.50; Golden Rule Class, Happy Corner (Lower Stillwater), $6.25, ...	18.75
Pennsylvania—$75.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: Sunshine Class, Indian Creek, $12.50; Hanoverdale (Big Swatara), $25, ...	37.50
So. Dist., Cong.: B. F. & Ida M. Lightner (Marsh Creek), ...	12.50
W. Dist., Adult C. W. S.: Meyersdale, ..	25.00
Total for the month, ...$	326.25
Total previously reported, ...	1,744.63
Total for the year, ...$	2,070.88

ANKLESVAR CHURCHHOUSE

Iowa—$500.00	
No. Dist., Cong.: P. K. Albright (Ivester), $	500.00
Total for the month, ...$	500.00
Total previously reported, ...	0.00
Total for the year, ...$	500.00

INDIA MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

California—$222.97	
No. Dist., Lindsay Cong. for Dr. Ida Metzger, ...$	70.00
So. Dist., La Verne Cong. for Susan Stoner, Ina Kaylor, and Lynn Blickenstaff & Wife, ...	152.97
Idaho—$42.50	
Emmett Cong. for Anetta C. Mow, ...	42.50
Indiana—$120.00	
So. Dist., Buck Creek Cong. for Nettie B. Summer, ...	120.00
Kansas—$17.25	
S. E. Dist., Paint Creek S. S. for Emma H. Eby, $15; Parsons S. S. for Emma H. Ebey, $2.25, ...	17.25
Maryland—$358.98	
E. Dist., Sunday Schools for Ethel Roop,	358.98
Ohio—$898.49	
N. E. Dist., E. Nimishillen S. S. for Goldie E. Swartz, ...	65.00
So. Dist., Bear Creek Cong. for Anna Lichty, $275; Covington Cong. for I. W. Moomaw, $550; Happy Corner S. S. (Lower Stillwater) for Betty Jeane Brooks, ...	8.49
Pennsylvania—$375.00	
W. Dist., Sunday Schools for Ida Shumaker & Olive Widdowson, ...	375.00
Total for the month, ...$	2,035.19
Total previously reported, ...	8,972.38
	$11,007.57
Correction No. 10, ...	10.56
Total for the year, ...	$11,018.13

CHINA MISSION

California—$50.00	
So. Dist., Indv.: Esther LaFollette, ...$	50.00
Ohio—$2.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: Sara Bigler (Bradford),	2.00
Pennsylvania—$159.62	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Royersford, $5.35; S. S.: Royersford, $149.29; Jr. C. W. S.: Royersford, $5, ...	159.62
Total for the month, ...$	211.62
Total previously reported, ...	850.24
Total for the year, ...$	1,061.86

CHINA NATIVE WORKER

Missouri—$19.74	
No. Dist., S. S.: Wakenda, ...$	19.74
Total for the month, ...$	19.74
Total previously reported, ...	98.05
Total for the year, ...$	117.79

CHINA SHARE PLAN

California—$5.19	
So. Dist., S. S.: Hermosa Beach, ...	5.19
Maryland—$6.25	
E. Dist., S. S.: Mission Study Class, Long Green Valley, ...	6.25
Ohio—$25.00	
N. E. Dist., Cong.: H. M. Hoff & Wife (Beech Grove, Chippewa), ...	25.00
Pennsylvania—$25.00	
E. Dist., S. S.: Andrew & Philip Bible Class, Lancaster, ...	25.00
Total for the month, ...$	61.44
Total previously reported, ...	550.40
Total for the month, ...$	611.84

CHINA MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

Colorado—$13.21	
E. Dist., Congregations for Anna N. Crumpacker, ...$	13.21
Idaho—$42.50	
Emmett Cong. for Dr. Horning, ...	42.50
Indiana—$75.60	
No. Dist., Sunday Schools for Mary Schaeffer, ...	75.60
Iowa—$804.82	
Mid. Dist., Cedar Rapids, S. S.: for Emma	

Horning,	550.00
So. Dist., English River S. S.: for Nettie M. Senger, $184; North English S. S. for Nettie M. Senger, $70.82,	254.82
Pennsylvania—$602.50	
Mid. Dist., Albright Cong. and S. S. for Olivia D. Ikenberry,	20.00
W. Dist., Greensburg Cong. for Leland S. Brubaker, $250; 7th Circuit S. S.'s for Marie Brubaker, $145; Sunday Schools for Grace Clapper, $187.50,	582.50
Virginia—$50.00	
E. Dist., Fairfax Cong. for M. M. Myers,	50.00
Total for the month,	$ 1,588.63
Total previously reported,	5,242.16
Correction No. 10,	$ 6,830.79
Correction No. 10,	10.56
Total for the year,	$ 6,820.23

AFRICA MISSION

California—$355.16	
So. Dist., Cong.: Calvary, Long Beach, Inglewood, and La Verne, $36.79; Congs. of District, $63.37; D. L. Brubaker (La Verne), $100; S. S.: Intermediate Dept., Pasadena, $5; Pasadena, $100; Indv.: Esther LaFollette, $50,	355.16
Illinois—$5.00	
No. Dist., S. S.: Junior League, First Chicago,	5.00
Indiana—$25.00	
Mid. Dist., Cong.: No. 106809 (Wabash City),	25.00
Kansas—$34.41	
S. E. Dist., D. V. B. S.: Independence,	8.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Garden City. $17.01; S. S.: Primary Class, First Wichita, $1.40; Y. P. Div., First Wichita, $8,	26.41
Maryland—$65.00	
Mid. Dist., S. S.: Altruistic Class, Hagerstown,	65.00
North Dakota—$4.75	
S. S.: Primary Dept., Minot,	4.75
Ohio—$11.25	
N. E. Dist., Aid Soc.: White Cottage,	5.00
So. Dist., S. S.: "Good Cheer" Class, Brookville,	6.25
Pennsylvania—$99.38	
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Royersford, $2.67; S. S.: Royersford, $74.64,	77.31
W. Dist., B. Y. P. D.: Conemaugh, $10; D. V. B. S.: Uniontown (Georges Creek), $12.07,	22.07
West Virginia—$5.00	
First Dist., Indv.: Mrs. Jane Bowers,	5.00
Wisconsin—$2.68	
D. V. B. S.: Stanley,	2.68
Total for the month,	$ 607.73
Total previously reported,	1,224.87
Total for the year,	$ 1,832.60

AFRICA SHARE PLAN

California—$6.25	
So. Dist., C. W. S.: E. San Diego,	$ 6.25
Iowa—$5.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: L. A. Clark (Ottumwa),	5.00
Ohio—$12.50	
N. W. Dist., S. S.: Young People's Class, Rome,	12.50
Total for the month,	$ 23.75
Total previously reported,	446.25
Total for the year,	$ 470.00

AFRICA MISSIONARY SUPPORTS

Indiana—$75.61	
No. Dist., Sunday Schools for Marguerite Burke Budget,	$ 75.61
Pennsylvania—$187.50	
W. Dist., Sunday Schools for Wm. Beahm,	187.50
Total for the month,	$ 263.11
Total previously reported,	4,342.16
Total for the year,	$ 4,605.27

NEAR EAST RELIEF

Pennsylvania—$45.00	
So. Dist., Cong.: Waynesboro,	$ 45.00
Total for the month,	$ 45.00
Total previously reported,	208.56
Total for the year,	$ 253.56

CHINA FAMINE RELIEF

Michigan—$1.00	
Unknown Donor of Brutus,	$ 1.00
Total for the month,	$ 1.00
Total previously reported,	205.53
Total for the year,	$ 206.53

STUDENT LOAN FUND

Virginia—$6.14	
Sec. Dist., Cong.: Summit,	$ 6.14
Total for the month,	$ 6.14
Total previously reported,	0.00
Total for the year,	$ 6.14

CONFERENCE BUDGET

Africa—$71.95	
Cong.: Africa Mission,	$ 71.95
Arizona—$31.38	
Cong.: Phoenix,	31.38
California—$1,374.50	
No. Dist., Cong.: Butte Valley, $16.81; Chico, $8.75; Empire, $8.36; Fresno, $22; McFarland, $3; Patterson, $23.50; Waterford, $44.30; David Bower (Chico), $5; Mrs. Frank Ott (Live Oak), $5; M. N. Overholtzer (Live Oak), $4; H. A. Coleman (Oakland), $5; Chas. T. Smith (Oakland), $4; Unknown Donor (Rio Linda), $1,	150.72
So. Dist., Cong.: Belvedere, $125.15; Hemet, $113.52; Hermosa Beach, $46.61; Inglewood, $10; Calvary (Los Angeles), $200; First Los Angeles, $151.46; Pasadena, $151.13; Pomona, $170.51; San Bernardino, $105; Santa Ana, $44.65; Ada L. Winslow (Belvedere), $10; Joe Lapp (Glendora), $2.50; Effie Norcross (Glendora), $5; Ira Shively (Glendora), $6; Thomas Bashor (Inglewood), $1; La Verne: Mrs. Evalena Blocher and Children, $4.25; Mary A. Brubaker, $1; W. F. Engler and Wife, $5; Minnie G. Eby Hoover, $5; Flora E. Teague, $1; Mrs. Yunt, $10; Unknown Donor, $1; Pasadena: Mrs. Borden and Mrs. E. T. Good, $12; L. B. R., $5; Unknown Donor, $5; Unknown Donor, $5; Unknown Donor, $2; John A. Hotzell (San Bernardino), $6; Indv.: Mrs. C. R. Iredale, $4; H. C. Snowberger, $5; A Sister of Riverside, $10,	1,223.78
Canada—$140.00	
Cong.: Bow Valley, $35; First Irricana, $100; Alvin Baker (Merrington), $5,	140.00
Colorado—$46.55	
E. Dist., Cong.: Colorado Springs, $30; Wiley, $16.55,	46.55
Idaho—$36.73	
Cong.: Boise Valley, $27; Bowmont, $1.73; J. H. Bowers and wife, (Payette), $8,	36.73
Illinois—$132.51	
No. Dist., Cong.: Lena, $17; Shannon, $31.75; Sterling, $6.37; Unknown Donor (Mt. Morris), $1,	56.12
So. Dist., Cong.: Canton, $6.18; Brick (Oakley), $52.76; Woodland, $17.45,	76.39
India—$20.00	
Indv.: Anna E. Lichty, $10; D. J. Lichty,	

$10,	20.00

Indiana—$1,191.72

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Lower Deer Creek, $24; Peru, $110; Pleasant Dale, $35.52; Roann, $13.85; Salamonie, $165; Santa Fe, $30; Wilbur Dilling (Lower Deer Creek), $7; L. W. Shultz (Manchester), $6; Minnie M. Snider (Manchester), $10; Alma Wine (Manchester), $4,	405.37
No. Dist., Cong.: Baugo, $10; Bethany, $67; Goshen City, $250; Nappanee, $1; New Paris, $25; New Salem, $150; North Winona, $110; Osceola, $65; Ross Phillips (Blue River), $5; Indv.: Russell V. Bollinger, $5,	688.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Indianapolis, $54.35; Mississinnewa, $44,	98.35

Iowa—$397.86

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Coon River, $19; Garrison, $10.86,	29.85
No. Dist., Cong.: Kingsley, $50; Fred S. Miller and Family (South Waterloo), $25,	75.00
So. Dist., Cong.: English River, $275; North English, $13; Harry K. Rogers (Mt. Etna), $5,	293.00

Kansas—$624.14

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Appanoose, $100; Navarre, $35,	135.00
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Quinter, $104.84; White Rock, $6.26,	111.10
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Osage, $52.68; S. S.: Osage, $15,	67.68
S. W. Dist., Cong.: Bloom, $25; Monitor, $200; First Wichita, $76.43; West Wichita, $8.93,	310.36

Maryland—$943.00

E. Dist., Cong.: Grossnickle (Middletown Valley),	185.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Pleasant View, $538; A Member (Manor), $10; S. S.: Pleasant View, $100; Aid Soc.: Pleasant View, $25,	673.00
W. Dist., Cong.: Bear Creek, $60; Georges Creek, $5; Westernport, $20,	85.00

Michigan—$52.43

Cong.: Lake View, $42.43; Woodland Village, $10,	52.43

Missouri—$57.45

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Mineral Creek,	4.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Carthage, $29.85; S. S.: Carthage, $23.60,	53.45

Nebraska—$81.50

Cong.: Octavia, $6.50; South Beatrice, $75,	81.50

North Dakota—$25.00

Cong.: Brumbaugh,	25.00

Ohio—$851.44

N. E. Dist., Cong.: Baltic, $139; Chippewa, $17.52; E. Nimishillen, $25.39; Kent, $10.42; Richland, $40; Irma R. Kurtz (Canton), $5; Mrs. E. K. Blanch (Kent), $2; G. S. Strausbaugh (Richland), $25,	264.33
N. W. Dist., Cong.: Lima, $100; Sugar Creek, $25,	125.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Brookville, $229; Prices Creek, $64.21; West Alexandria, $67; West Charleston, $85.90; Agnes L. Royer (Beech Grove), $10; Unknown Donor (Lower Stillwater), $1; Adolph Huxin (Trotwood), $5,	462.11

Oklahoma—$60.00

Cong.: Thomas, $40; John R. Pitzer & Wife (Bartlesville), $10; Josiah Lehman (Guthrie), $10,	60.00

Oregon—$60.75

Cong.: Myrtle Point, $50; Joe Holl & Wife (Albany), $10; Unknown Donor (Grants Pass), $.75,	60.75

Pennsylvania—$1,901.62

E. Dist., Cong.: Simon P. Shirk (Ephrata), $15; Jacob B. Weaver & Wife (Harrisburg), $4; Franklin Buckwalter, (Lancaster), $5,	24.00
Mid. Dist., Cong.: Clover Creek, $341.30; Hollidaysburg, $55.25; New Enterprise, $128.70; Raven Run, $6.25; Woodbury, $287.75; S. S.: Truth Seekers Class, First Altoona, $5; Mary A. Kinsey (Dunnings Creek), $10,	834.25
S. E. Dist., Cong.: Royersford,	2.00
So. Dist., Cong.: Antietam, $18; Marsh Creek, $36.20; Sugar Valley, $30; Waynesboro, $710; York, $6; Mary Bixler (York), $2; S. S.: Pioneer Class, York, $24.15,	826.35
W. Dist., Cong.: Connellsville, $18.25; Westmont, $50; Windber, $116.77; D. V. B. S.: Mt. Joy, $20; Indv.: Joseph F. and Anna F. Cover, $10,	215.02

South Dakota—$33.00

Cong.: Willow Creek,	33.00

Texas—$37.02

Cong.: Ft. Worth,	37.02

Virginia—$318.10

E. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Carmel, $9.92, D. M. Glick (Hollywood), $5,	14.92
First Dist., Cong.: Cloverdale, $10; Daleville, $10; Oak Grove, $5,	25.00
No. Dist., Cong.: Mt. Zion, $16.39; Timberville, $131.69; Unknown Donor (Linville Creek), $1; Aid Soc.: Timberville, $12,	161.08
Sec. Dist., Cong.: North Fork, $13; Waynesboro, $25; J. M. Henry (Bridgewater), $5; C. H. Smith & Wife (Elk Run), $10; Members (Sangerville), $11.10,	64.10
So. Dist., Cong.: Antioch, $43; H. J. Woodie & Wife (Fraternity), $10,	53.00

Washington—$125.28

Cong.: Greenwood, $10.60; Okanogan Valley, $28.59; Omak, $10; Outlook, $21.28; Seattle, $10.45; Sunnyside, $14.27; Wenatchee Valley, $11.50; Yakima, $12.09; Edith Bolinger (Wenatchee), $1.50; R. W. Bolinger (Wenatchee Valley), $5,	125.28

West Virginia—$25.00

First Dist., Cong.: D. A. Daugherty (Tearcoat),	25.00
"Loose in hat" offering, La Verne Conence,	1,496.00
Total for the month,	$10,134.93
Total previously reported,	40,815.94
Total for the year,	$50,950.87

CONFERENCE BUDGET DESIGNATED

Iowa—$.95

Mid. Dist., S. S.: Bagley,	.95

Kansas—$20.30

S. E. Dist., S. S.: Parsons,	10.00
S. W. Dist., Cong.: First Wichita,	10.30

Maryland—$12.65

Mid. Dist., Cong.: Broadfording,	12.65

Minnesota—$20.00

Cong.: Minneapolis,	20.00
Total for the month,	$ 53.90
Total previously reported,	123.49
Total for one year,	$ 177.39

MARCH WORLD SERVICE

Pennsylvania—$100.00

S. E. Dist., Cong.: John C. Dettra (Green Tree),	$ 100.00
Total for the month,	$ 100.00
Total previously reported,	1,335.00
Total for the year,	$ 1,435.00

Conference Offering, 1928. As of August 31, 1928, the Conference (Budget) for the year ending February 28, 1929, stands as follows:

Cash received since March 1, 1928	$133,538.73

(The 1928 Budget of $389,000.00 is 34.3% raised, whereas it should be 50%.)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on August 31, 1928:

Income since March 1, 1928	$141,360.63
Income same period last year	147,090.46
Expense since March 1, 1928	148,371.17
Expense same period last year	184,634.52
Mission deficit August 31, 1928	104,415.18
Mission deficit July 31, 1928	98,541.12
Increase in deficit for August, 1928	5,874.06

August Receipts. Contributions were received during August by funds as follows:

	Receipts	Total Rec'd. Since Mar. 1, 1928
World Wide Missions	$3,101.42	$31,434.65
Student Fellowship Fund 1927-28	83.00	1,399.22
Aid Societies Mission Fund	136.13	3,633.30
Home Missions	183.72	717.08
Greene Co., Va., Mission	28.37	217.71
Foreign Missions	242.61	1,603.83
Junior League—1927	11.26	389.90
Junior League—1928	102.41	457.24
B. Y. P. D.—1927	16.40	119.75
B. Y. P. D.—1928	260.37	1,176.14
India Mission	144.83	1,336.89
India Native Worker	5.00	355.00
India Boarding School	37.50	473.58
India Share Plan	133.31	2,204.19
India Missionary Supports	1,096.41	12,114.54
Vyara Church Building Fund	30.00	30.00
China Mission	84.50	1,146.36
China Share Plan	125.00	736.84
China Missionary Supports	1,648.07	8,468.30
Sweden Mission	20.00	45.00
Africa Missionary Supports	323.43	4,928.70
Africa Mission	1,191.35	3,023.95
Africa Share Plan	30.00	500.00
Near East Relief	81.22	334.78
China Famine Relief	122.68	329.21
Conference Budget	2,570.38	53,521.25
Conference Budget Designated	38.32	215.71

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THE CHRISTIAN MESSAGE

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But we would insist that when the Gospel of the Love of God comes home with power to the human heart, it speaks to each man, not as Moslem or as Buddhist, or as an adherent of any system, but just as man. And while we rightly study other religions in order to approach men wisely, yet at the last we speak as men to men, inviting them to share with us the pardon and the life that we have found in Christ.

3. To all who inherit the benefits of secular civilization and contribute to its advancement we make our call. We claim for Christ the labors of scientists and artists. We recognize their service to His cause in dispersing the darkness of ignorance, superstition, and vulgarity. We appreciate also the noble elements that are found in nationalist movements and in patriotism, the loyalty, the self-devotion, the idealism, which love of country can inspire. But even these may lead to strife and bitterness and narrowness of outlook if they are not dedicated to Christ; in His universal Kingdom of Love all nations by right are provinces, and fulfil their own true destiny only in His service. When patriotism and science are not consecrated they are often debased into self-assertion, exploitation, and the service of greed. Indeed, throughout all nations the great peril of our time arises from that immense development of man's power over the resources of nature which has been the great characteristic of our epoch. This power gives opportunity for wealth of interest, and, through facilities of communication, for freedom of intercourse such as has never been known. But it has outgrown our spiritual and moral control.

Amid the clashes of industrial strife the Gospel summons men to work together as brothers in providing for the human family the economic basis of the good life. In the presence of social antipathies and exclusiveness the Gospel insists that we are members of one family, and that our Father desires for each a full and equal opportunity to attain to His own complete development, and to make his special contribution to the richness of the family life. Confronted by international relations that constantly flout Christ's law of love, there is laid on all who bear His name the solemn obligation to labor unceasingly for a new world order in which justice shall be secured for all peoples, and every occasion for war or threat of war be removed.

Such changes can be brought about only through an unreserved acceptance of Christ's way of love, and by the courageous and sacrificial living that it demands. Still ringing in our ears is the call, " Be not conformed to this world, but be ye transformed by the renewing of your minds."

Conclusion

In our conference together we have seen more clearly the fulness and sufficiency of the Gospel and our own need of the salvation of Christ. The enlarging thoughts of the generation find the Gospel and the Savior ever richer and greater than men had known.

This deepened assurance of the adequacy and universality of the Gospel, however, is not enough. More effective ways must be found for its proclamation, not to systems of opinion only, but to human beings, to men and women for whom Christ died. The most thorough and convincing intellectual statement of Christianity is necessary, but such statements cannot suffice. The Gospel must be expressed also in simplicity and love, and offered to men's hearts and minds by word and deed and life, by righteousness and loving-kindness, by justice, sympathy, and compassion, by ministry to human needs and the deep want of the world.

As together, Christians of all lands, we have surveyed the world and the needs of men, we are convinced of the urgent necessity for a great increase in the Christian forces in all countries, and for a still fuller measure of coöperation between the churches of all nations in more speedily laying the claim of Christ upon all the unoccupied areas of the world and of human life.

We are persuaded that we and all Christian people must seek a more heroic practice of the Gospel. It cannot be that our present complacency and moderation are a faithful expression of the mind of Christ, and of the meaning of His cross and resurrection in the midst of the wrong and want and sin of our modern world.

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AMERICA

Church of the Brethren Industrial School, Geer, Va.

- Bollinger, Amsey, and Florence, 1922
- Finckh, Elsie, 1925
- Hersch, Orville, and Mabel, 1925
- Knight, Henry, March, Va., 1928
- Sherman, Russel and Marie, 1928
- Wampler, Nelie, 1922

In Pastoral Service

- Bowman, Price, and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
- Eby, E. H., and Emma, 3503 St. Joseph Ave., St. Joseph, Mo., 1927
- Fahnestock, Rev., and Mrs. S. G., 1105 Haight Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
- Haney, R. A., and Irva, Lonaconing, Md., 1925
- Rohrer, Ferdie, and Pearl, Jefferson, N. C., 1927
- White, Ralph, and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923
- Barr, Francis and Cora, Albany, Ore., 1928

In Evangelistic Service

- Smith, Rev., and Mrs. S. Z., Sidney, Ohio

SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö Sweden

- Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
- Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

Liao Chow, Shansi, China

- Hutchison, Anna, 1911
- Oberholtzer, I. E., and Elizabeth, 1916
- Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
- Senger, Nettie M., 1916
- Shock, Laura J., 1916

Ping Ting Chow, Shansi, China

- Bright, J. Homer, and Minnie, 1911
- Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921
- Crumpacker, F. H., 1908
- Flory, Byron M., and Nora 1917
- Flory, Edna R., 1917
- Horning, Emma, 1908
- Metzger, Minerva, 1910
- Schaeffer, Mary, 1917

Show Yang, Shansi, China

- Heisey, Walter J., and Sue, 1917
- Neher, Minneva J., 1924
- Ulery, Ruth F., 1926

On Furlough

- * Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, 321 S. 3d, Covina, Calif., 1924
- * Clapper, V. Grace, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1917
- Cline, Mary E., 832 Cumberland St., Bristol, Va., 1920
- * Cripe, Winnie, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill.
- Crumpacker, Anna, McPherson, Kans., 1908
- Horning, Dr. D. L., and Martha, R. 5, Cedar Falls, Iowa, 1919
- * Ikenberry, E. L., and Olivia, King St. Dist., R. 4, Danbury, Conn., 1922
- * Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater, Va., 1919
- Seese, Norman A., and Anna, Daleville, Va., 1917
- * Smith, W. Harlan, and Frances, 2624 E St., La Verne, Calif., 1920
- Sollenberger, O. C., and Hazel, % J. W. Coppock, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, 1919
- * Wampler, Dr. Fred J., and Rebecca, Medical College of Va., Richmond, Va., 1913
- Wampler, Ernest M., and Elizabeth, Rocky Ford, Colo., 1922

AFRICA

Garkida, Nigeria, West Africa, via Jos

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We have a great nation. It has rich resources in soul values. Blessings for physical joys are abundant. A day of Thanksgiving is very fitting. Only the ungrateful can pass that day giving it little attention. Certainly the Christians of America will desire to give thanks and to express appreciation to the Giver of all life.

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Many years ago mankind learned that appreciation develops into sharing. The work of the Infinite can be appreciated, but we have learned also that the reaction of sharing is divinely planned to react to the good of other men. God evidently is satisfied

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H. SPENSER MINNICH, Editor

when we have the right appreciation for man, his highest creation. There are many seeking, but do not find satisfaction. Abundant life comes only by sharing. Through our Home Missionary work the church aims to share life. It is an effort on the part of the church as a whole to unitedly go forth to give light. It is an expression of appreciation for our nation. It is right that at this Thanksgiving time we give something to the cause of Jesus Christ in America.

Millions in America have not been reached. Religious communities are declining because of lack of leadership. Strategic centers must be provided with equipment to conserve results. Better churchhouses must be built. Home missionaries must be sent. New mission points ought to be started.

Last Thanksgiving time the churches gave a fine offering. Some churches did not respond. Let's make it one hundred per cent this year. Working together is thrilling. The knowledge that every church participated will give every member of the church joy. We ought to raise $50,000 for Home Missions at Thanksgiving time.

How shall we do it? Make Nov. 18 to 25 SELF-DENIAL WEEK and put what is saved into the Home Mission offering to become a part of OUR UNITED THANKSGIVING HOME MISSIONARY OFFERING. Send your gift to the General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., either direct or through your local treasurer. Designate it for Home Missions.

M. R. Zigler.

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We know the paths wherein our feet should press;
Across our hearts are written thy decrees;
Yet now, O Lord, be merciful to bless
With more than these.

Grant us the will to fashion as we feel,
Grant us the strength to labor as we know,
Grant us the purpose, ribb'd and edged with steel,
To strike the blow.

Knowledge we ask not—knowledge thou hast lent;

But, Lord, the will—there lies our bitter need;

Gives us to build above the deep intent
The deed, the deed.

--John Drinkwater.

Thanksgiving Praise

O Father, we are thankful for the guidance of thy hand;
We know that thou art watching o'er this great, beloved land.
America is Christian and America is free,
And all our praise and gratitude we give, O Lord, to thee.

O Father, we are thankful for thy mercy and thy love,
We thank thee for the blessings that are sent from thee above.
O Maker of the universe, the God of every land,
We trust thee for we know that thou canst save the soul of man.

Ft. Worth, Texas. Josephine Frantz.

The Spirit of Thanksgiving

ADA MILLER

BEETHOVEN was awakened from his sleep one night by repeated knocks at a neighbor's door. His musical ear at once discovered the harmony of the taps. He arose from his bed and wrote the music of one of his most famous concertos. Beethoven had an ear so trained to the harmonious arrangement of sound that ordinary knocks on a neighbor's door meant music to him.

It is significant that we ask ourselves, Is my heart sensitive to the frequent taps at a neighbor's door? Has my religion created a desire to listen; to try to detect the nature of the call; to go, to give—to serve in the spirit of love? In other words, is there a burning passion to feed the hungry, clothe the poor, visit the sick?—a form of expression of thankfulness which Jesus approved when he said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these ye have done it unto me."

Such a spirit of love is the spirit of Thanksgiving.

"Christ has no hands but my hands
To do his work today;
He has no feet but my feet
To lead men in his way;
He has no tongue but our tongue
To tell men how he died;
He has no help but our help
To bring them to his side."

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The Keyser Congregation

Selected from Keyser Church Yearbook

THE First District of West Virginia is located in the Northeastern part of the State, extending from Pennsylvania and Maryland on the North to Virginia on the South. It is composed of eighteen congregations of which Keyser is the youngest. Keyser is a town of 7,000 people nestling amid the foothills of the Alleghany Mountains. It is located at the confluence of New Creek and the Potomac River on the main line of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. It is served by a State Highway which connects it with the Old National Trail No. 40 twenty miles to the North and with the Northwestern Highway No. 50 only six miles to the South. Keyser has one of the finest High Schools in the State and is also served by Potomac State College, a branch of the University. It has seven active Protestant Churches of which the Church of the Brethren is the youngest.

Russell G. West

About forty years ago Brother George W. Leatherman of sainted memory moved into the New Creek Valley and settled on a farm just four miles south of Keyser. Being an active minister in the church he began at once to proclaim the Gospel in this Valley. In 1890 he built by subscription what became known as the Leatherman Church—the mother-church of the Brethren in the New Creek Valley. Brother Leatherman was a devoted worker and served for fifteen or twenty years as Presiding Elder of the New Creek Congregation. Assisting Brother Leatherman were Brethren I. F. Roberts and John Parish. Among those who came in to the field from time to time we find such names as I. W. Abernathy, S. N. McCann, John K. Baker, Daniel B. Arnold, George S. Arnold, Charles Frantz, Jonas Fike and others.

On March 29, 1905, Brother B. W. Smith moved from the Tearcoat Congregation and settled on a farm on Beaver Run. During this same year Brother George W. Leatherman was called home and Brother Smith was chosen as Presiding Elder of the New Creek Congregation, which place he has filled ever since. Under the leadership of Brother Smith the work grew steadily and other preaching points were opened. Keyser was a growing town and offered many opportunities to the Brethren. A number of Brethren families were moving in. In 1911 a call was sent out for the Gospel. This call was answered by Brother Smith. A Hall was rented and the work was started in Keyser. For a number of years both Sunday-school and preaching services were conducted in the Hall. The work under the able leadership of Brother Smith enjoyed a steady growth. On January 25, 1919, a very choice lot was purchased by the Brethren and work on the new churchhouse was started. In December, 1920, the church was formally dedicated in the presence of a multitude of people. Brother Jeremiah Thomas of the Sandy Creek Congregation delivered the dedicatory sermon. A revival was conducted by Brother B. W. Smith, stimulating new interest and adding a number of members.

On June 11, 1922, Brother Russell G. West came to Keyser as the first pastor. The church had been dedicated less than two years and was yet in its struggling infancy. In round numbers the membership numbered fifty. The Sunday-school attendance averaged about forty-five. The church was not well organized and the organizations which did exist were not functioning smoothly. In a short time the membership was increased and the work was reorganized and placed on a sound workable basis. The church began to win its recognized standing among the churches of Keyser.

During the six years' ministry of Brother West the church enjoyed a number of stirring revivals. Some of the outstanding men of the Brotherhood were engaged as Evan-

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Strengthening the Home Base

J. W. LEAR

THE old adage, "Charity begins at home," is no more true than that work begins there also. In neither case is it meant that effort stops there. No one but lazy or miserly folks would want to stop at the fence which marks the line between at home and away.

Observation suggests that the one who will not work or dispense charity at home cannot be trusted to do much away. If needy sights and sounds at our door do not produce a sympathetic attitude in one, what right have we to expect that calls from afar will do so?

Moreover, the hand of help will be strengthened and lengthened if we build a strong and permanent home base. The tabernacle of the Lord in foreign fields in the formative stage of its erection rests upon the temple of the Lord at home. Since we have gone into these foreign fields and have discovered the squalor, superstition and sin, we grow restless that we cannot lengthen our ropes, but we are let hitherto because our home stakes will have to be driven deeper before we can lengthen our ropes for larger tabernacles abroad. Sad, isn't it! But let's not cry about it; let's do something about it!

The appeal for Home Mission funds has in mind this very thing. The walls of the Lord's city and even the foundation of his house in many places in America are in a sad plight. We need some Nehemiahs who can and will build in spite of opposition from within or without. Moreover, we need 130,000 folks, for that is our number, who "have a mind to work." Dean Inge says that "the trouble with Christianity today is that real Christianity is a creed of heroes while the believers of today are a good and lovely people who want everybody to have an easy time." Jesus said, "Ye shall be my witnesses." The Greek term he used is **martures,** which is the word from which our English word, **martyr,** is derived. The Church of the Brethren is now badly in need of believers of the martyr type; those who are willing to place time, personality, and money at the disposal of their Master at the cost of pleasure and personal comforts.

Churches in America, once prosperous, are disintegrating. Which District of the forty-nine is organizing more congregations than it is disorganizing? How many are agonizing because of this situation? What group among us is trying to discover the causes for decline and decay? What plan have we to enter the field and turn the tide of battle in favor of our Lord's cause?

Several years ago the General Mission Board enlarged its organization with this help in mind. Its Home Secretary has been burdened with this task. His observations have suggested the necessity of enlisting the entire Brotherhood for concerted action. Each year in November a call for funds is made in order to close up the leaks and gaps in our ranks: places which are wide-open avenues for the enemy to spoil the vines. Some one in our church who claims to know has said that less than fifty per cent of our congregations are self-supporting and self-propagating; that fully one-half of the balance are slowly but surely dying. Shall we stand by and await the burial, or shall we do something about it?

The interest of any people cannot wholly be measured by the amount of money they may give. However, the money folks give is commensurate with their interest. The treasure goes with the heart. Elgin, Ill.

Is America Pagan?

O. G. DAVIS

OUR conceptions in life are determined by our "point of view." In determining whether America is pagan or not, suppose we look at our beloved republic from several points of view.

Is America Pagan with Respect to Recreation and Amusements?

The amusement situation in America is characterized by three unfortunate features—professionalism, commercialism, and immorality. In the city of Chicago we have more seating capacity in the loop theaters, a section six blocks wide and eight blocks long, than in all of the Protestant churches of the entire city. On Sunday evenings I have seen countless thousands in line before the theater entrances, while on the same nights I have visited several of the leading churches to estimate church attendance, and found a handful of the faithful in each instance gathered in the lecture room of the church engaged in worship. It is authoritatively estimated that 20,000,000 people attend the movies in America daily. To see what? To see professional entertainers make sport of everything sacred. Is this the best a great civilization can do in providing recreation for the multitude? Out of a survey conducted recently it was discovered that sex, war, and wealth were the three prevailing themes found in all plays released over a certain period of weeks. Yes, America is pagan when viewed from the standpoint of her amusements.

Is America Pagan with Respect to Industry?

A dean, and professor of practical theology in Boston University, recently said: "The present industrial order is giving us a depleted manhood and womanhood."

A depleted manhood and womanhood means a depleted church. The church cannot thrive where society decays. The great ethical ideals exalted by Jesus are not a part of the program of big business. This is perhaps best illustrated by the lack of respect for personality in great corporations. Jesus put human welfare above every other consideration. Men were of more value to him than things. Not so with big business. The religious institutions of his day were made for them—the law, the temple, the Sabbath. Childhood was precious, womanhood was reverenced, and human life was regarded so highly that he made it his one business to nurse it back to strength after it had been enfeebled by sin, disease, superstition and ignorance. A thoroughgoing application of this principle of respect for personality is lacking in our industrial order, and is the basis for most of the social injustice against which the workers of the world protest. Yes, as we view laborers united against employers, and vice versa, and both exploiting the consumer, and with competition rather than coöperation the order of our day, industrial peace is far away, and America is pagan with respect to her industrial outlook and situation.

Missionary Possibilities

Protestantism is divided into many sects. These divisions result largely from temperament and environment. They are partly due to differences in interpretation of truth and appreciation of the relative value of gospel teachings. We have many more church organizations than are needed. There is much money used in the maintenance of denominationalism, that could well be directed to practical missionary work in the evangelization of the world. The Great Commission is for every Christian. Thousands of business men could well afford to assist in making America Christian, by supporting individual workers at strategic centers. Yes, America is pagan from many points of view, but the Prince of Peace has opened wide the gates of paradise and bids America become Christian. The vital stream flows deep and wide to cleanse and heal our nation of its impurities. The refining fires of Divine Love will separate the pure gold from the dross. The time has come for the nation to choose, as did Israel, between Jehovah and Baal, Christ and Mammon. "He that is not with me is against me." The hour has struck; the battle is on; the powers of the air are inciting men to greed and graft, industrial strife, class hatred, race prejudice, and international war. The Church of the Brethren has the ideal. The hosts of heaven proclaim the way

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Work for Women

MRS. NAOMI ROYER WILL

THERE are a number of consecrated young women in our church whose hearts are given to Christ and who are willing to give their full time in service for him if they can but find a channel through which to do it. Surely, the cause of Christ needs all such it can find. Surely, there must be some way to enlist these lives so that the largest possible gains may be made for his kingdom. Some of these folks go to the foreign mission fields; others teach religious education in our public schools; still others enter the ministry and take up summer pastorates. These avenues, however, are not sufficient to enlist all, especially since the ability of our church to send recruits to foreign fields is greatly hampered at present. I believe they should be used in a very definite way here at home to help to strengthen the churches on the home base and thus ultimately the kingdom afar. With the background of a year's experience at Portland, Oregon, as assistant pastor, I state my conviction that there are large opportunities for usefulness and the dedication of talents for single women in this office.

The year spent in this capacity was one of the happiest of my life, because of the type of work I was called upon to do. Standing before a group of eager young people, with the responsibility of leading them into a deeper appreciation of the life and message of our Christ in the B. Y. P. D., directing special programs, as Christmas, Easter, Thanksgiving, so that real spiritual truths may be impressed; sponsoring a club of intermediate girls in their endeavor to cultivate the fourfold development of their lives; directing a chorus or glee club for the purpose of building up the song element of our worship; bringing comfort to the sorrowing and cheer to the sick and discouraged—these and many other tasks are important, challenge the highest ability of the assistant pastor, and bring into her life the highest joy.

Moentita Girls' Club under direction of Mrs. Will, Portland.

Ladies' Aid Society, Portland

How gladly would the wife of the pastor take charge of the surplus duties of the pastor, but she has her home and her family and, therefore, can give, not her whole time, but only a limited amount of it to these tasks. She is wife, mother, hostess, and as many other things—for instance, president of the Ladies' Aid—as she has time for, but in most instances she cannot be expected to bear so large part of the responsibility of the work as can a single woman giving her entire time.

In addition to the fields where the young woman may serve as assistant to the pastor, there are places in our Brotherhood where she may serve as assistant to the local min-

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Brethren Activities in North Carolina

MRS. F. C. ROHRER

THREE years ago last July we came to North Carolina for several reasons: to teach, for improving our health, and for an opportunity to do church work, being three reasons.

F. C. Rohrer

For six months we lived in a little open house which had been a store. The neighbors were royally kind to us, and while Bro. Rohrer taught a six months' term of school we were adjusting ourselves to life in the mountains. Dean, our second son, was born in September. With a flueless fireplace and a small cook stove it was hard to keep the little fellow warm.

When school was drawing to a close in January, we were wondering what to do to make a living until the next school term. On the last day of school a letter came, which we feel was a direct answer to prayer. It was an opportunity to teach in Jefferson High School to finish the term—three months. It was with gratitude to the Father that we moved to Jefferson. This made a difference in our ability to attend Sunday-school, as not all of the sixteen miles of road were good. However, we attended as often as the Ford could go.

In April, school being out at Jefferson, we returned to Peak Creek for the summer. With the help of four local teachers and two girls, who " took turns " caring for the boys, we had a splendid Bible School there. A B. Y. P. D. and Frontier Boys' Club were organized and considerable interest was shown. Each had several outings and begged to go again. Another Bible School was held at Flat Rock church, about 25 miles from Peak Creek.

School began again in August. During the winter (1926-27) many Sundays were so stormy and the roads so bad that we could not attend church. On these Sundays we talked of the opportunities here and read the Messenger. Through its correspondence department we heard of loaning money to children to use or invest for the Lord. Why not do that here?—and maybe the older ones would like to help, too.

In March the roads were passable, so with ten quarters we started for Peak Creek in spite of a cloudy sky. After Sunday-school, the subject of investing a quarter to raise chickens for the Lord was presented and received a warm welcome. One good brother, who was pleased with the quarter idea for the children, suggested that the older ones give a day's wage. This idea was welcomed and added to the program.

Six churches in our group of nine were visited. In some of these churches, services were scheduled for **once a month** but during the winter months Bro. Handy, who had charge of five churches, could not get about to hold these services. It was surprising and gratifying to see that forty quarters had been taken and forty-one days' wages promised in these six churches.

On the day the sixth church was visited only a few members were present. No one offered to take a quarter or give anything. But in an invalid's home later the program was discussed and she was glad to take a quarter for her son. He had next to the highest amount of money to give when the money was collected.

During the summer of 1927, Bro. Rohrer had to go to school six weeks. Only four schools were held, Dr. Ethel Gwin of Tennessee helping in two of them. A training school was held in connection with the Flat Rock D. V. B. S.

At Mt. Carmel D. V. B. S., a desire was in evidence for a Sunday-school. They had had no services for six months. The church was on a hard-surfaced road and prospects seemed good. Bro. Rohrer agreed to superintend the school. Since that time I think but two Sundays have passed without some kind of services.

A second boys' club was organized that summer, at Mt. Carmel. Several field trips were taken. At the last one at Mt. Carmel the boys were agreed that the church needed a revival. Two said they would come into the church if meetings were held. Bro. Norman Reed was with us in September and three of these boys and three girls joined the church.

At one place a new church was being built and funds were needed. In response to letters sent to friends and relatives, five boxes of used clothing were received, a big one from the Ladies' Aid at Plymouth, Ind., and four from Nebraska. A crippled girl sold these things (or where there was need, gave them away). About twenty dollars was received, which was used to floor the church and buy supplies for the lights.

Janet Elaine came to live with us in August. During that same month Bro. Rohrer and his friend, Carl Welch, were licensed to preach. Mr. Carmel chose Bro. Rohrer as their pastor the following day.

During the summer, in connection with the quarter idea, or as we called it, the "Missionary Project," six issues of The News Letter of six copies each were made on the typewriter and sent to the captains in the five churches and to the one boy.

Everywhere we talked with boys and girls, and older ones, too, who were taking part in the "project." Their faces would light up with interest and their eyes shine as they discussed the prospect of a large amount of money which they hoped to get for their chickens; or, if the chickens hadn't done well, they seemed so disappointed. A real interest in Christian activity was evident in every church.

The climax came at District Meeting in August at Peak Creek church. The captains and several other young people seemed to have a good secret. They were scarcely able to wait until the reports could be made and added, to see what had been collected. As the roll of churches was called, the five captains and one boy each came forward and presented the money, stating how much they had on hand. One captain reported over seven dollars from one boy who had taken a quarter. No need to ask for quiet as they counted the money. Over $121 from a District where we had felt ourselves unable to support missions to any degree before! Half of this was given to the District treasury, the other half to the General Mission Board for use in the homeland. It was voted that the work be carried to every church in the District in 1928.

As school teaching takes most of one's time, the Christmas vacation gave the first opportunity to present the "Missionary Project" in the five churches in the southern part of North Carolina.

Just before starting on this trip two letters were received, one from the ladies' class and one from an intermediate class at Plymouth, Ind., the two letters containing $10.50 to be used to help out in any way in the work in North Carolina. This became a foundation for the "Quarter Loaning Fund," to continue as long as the project continues.

Three churches were not met with personally in the South. In March and April eight churches were visited on Sundays and the plan for this summer explained.

During April we had heard of Father Rohrer's illness. About the 26th of April his condition became more serious. We left here at once and were with him a week before he joyfully passed on to be with his Christ and mother. While in the North, we drove to Nebraska for two weeks with my people.

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One of the churches served

Eastern Pennsylvania Helps Oregon

H. A. MERKEY

Secretary and Field Worker, Eastern Pa.

FRANCIS H. BARR was born in southern Lancaster County, Pa. His parents were affiliated with the Methodist Church, but Francis came in contact with the Brethren in the Mechanic Grove church and joined the church and became very much interested in Sunday-school work. He attended the rural schools of his section and also high school, after which he entered Elizabethtown College. It was here that he got a vision of a greater task. He finished the Pedagogical Course at Elizabethtown and it was while in school that the Mechanic Grove church called him to the ministry.

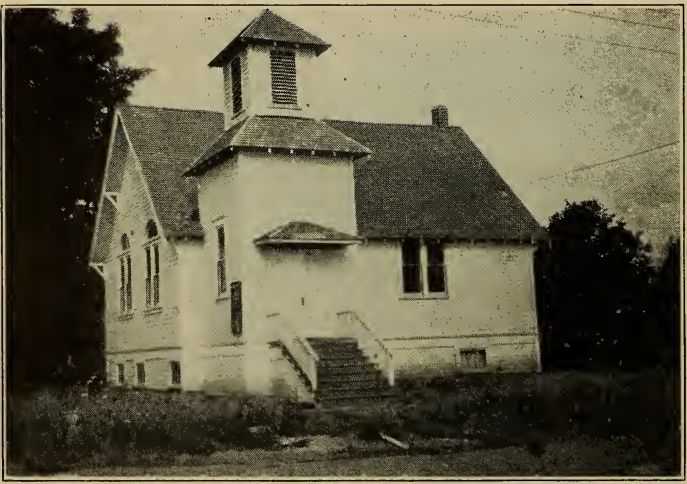
He was married to Sister Cora McConley of Mountville, Lancaster County, Pa., in June, 1924. At college he identified himself with the Volunteer movement and showed a keen interest in the work as well as all other church work. As a student he was thorough and persevering, very agreeable and adaptable and rather forceful in his preaching. He worked his way through school, devoting part of the time to his studies and the rest of the time earning money to pay his expenses.

After graduation from Elizabethtown College he entered Bethany Bible School and completed the course in June of this year.

A call to the General Mission Board from Oregon was answered by Brother and Sister Barr. They entered that field October 1. The Sunday-schools from Eastern Pennsylvania have furnished part of the support for the Barr family, and from such a consecrated and conscientious family a great harvest should result from their efforts in the great Northwest.

Manheim, Pa.

The **Sunday Schools** of Eastern Pennsylvania will support F. A. Barr and family at Albany, Oregon



Albany Church where the Barrs will serve

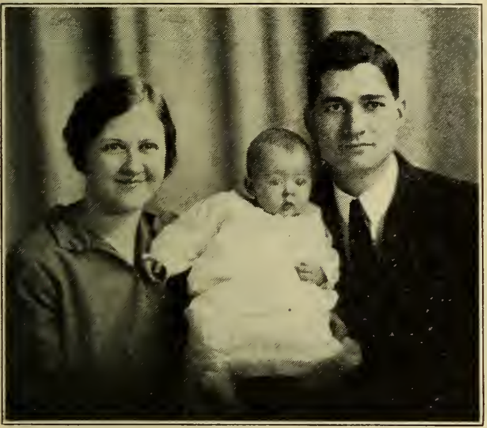
Thanksgiving
is Offering Time
for
Home Missions

The Shermans Enter Our Industrial School Staff

REV. O. R. HERSCH

Principal of the School

REV. AND MRS. R. A. SRERMAN and baby daughter, Lura, arrived at C. B. I. S. June 1 from the pastorate of the Springfield, Ill., congregation. While in the Southern District of Illinois, in which Springfield is located, Mr. Sherman also served as District Secretary of Religious Education and as adult adviser for the young people.



Rev. and Mrs. Russell Sherman and daughter, Lura

He began preaching and teaching at the age of 18, having charge of the appointments of his home congregation, Cedar Lake, Ind., and teaching in the public schools of the county. For the past several years Mrs. Sherman, formerly Marie Wirt, of the Virden, Ill., congregation, has been an able assistant. While Mr. Sherman was busy teaching, Mrs. Sherman carried on the pastoral program.

Pastoral and teaching experience have been varied. They have served four churches of Indiana and one of Illinois as pastors and taught whole or part time for seven years in the public schools. While serving as a special teacher in Springfield during the last two years, he came into personal touch with more than 5,000 boys and girls of the city. Bro. Sherman declined an attractive offer to remain as a teacher in that city in order to come to C. B. I. S. Every church or school the Shermans have served has offered a strong plea for a longer stay or a future return. Last year by the action of the District elders, Rev. and Mrs. Sherman were advanced to the office of the eldership.

Both are graduates of Manchester College. Mrs. Sherman has also had work at Lewis Institute and Bethany Bible School, Chicago. We are very glad to welcome such experienced workers into our school, and not only promise to give them ample opportunity for service, but hope they may be largely used by our Master in this part of his vineyard.

Geer, Va.

Echoes from the Church of the Brethren Industrial School

MISS NELIE WAMPLER

ANOTHER busy summer goes into the history of the Church of the Brethren Industrial School. The summer has had many blessings for us, both physically and spiritually. The workers remained for the most part through the summer except for a short vacation on the part of each worker.

We are very happy indeed to have Brother and Sister Hersch remain with us. He continues his work as principal and general executive around the school. Brother and Sister Kline are in Bethany this year. Bro. Russell Sherman and wife are here in their place. Bro. Bollinger returns to the school and takes up the work of Eld. H. C. Early as general superintendent.

Our family was about forty during the summer—just enough to keep us busy and happy.

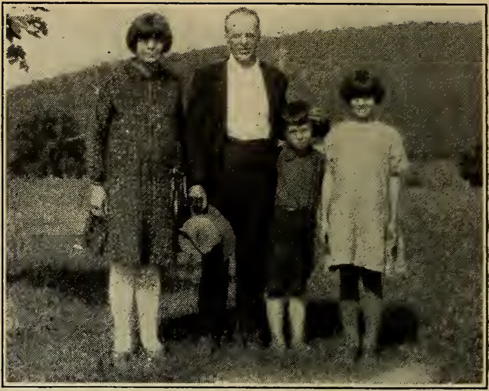
The rainfall has been abundant; in fact, more than was needed for some vegetables.

However, crops were at their best this year and we are much pleased with the income from this source. It is quite interesting how some of our folks have learned to market.

On Monday of each week every one was busy helping to get ready for market on Tuesday, gathering in vegetables, getting poultry and eggs ready, picking and shelling peas, etc. Pea picking and shelling were the tasks that held every youngster down, from the smallest child to the largest. Sometimes the task became tedious and tiresome and the children were excused for a race around the building, or story telling and songs often helped to keep up the interest. An all-day sucker was given to those who worked faithfully until the peas were all shelled. We found a ready sale for them and marketed four to twelve gallons each week throughout the season.

Food is one big item in feeding growing boys and girls, and we are happy to report every inch of space in our storage rooms filled with fruit and vegetables.

The new road which was built this summer, and was taken over by the state the first of September, gives us an outlet to the world, which we appreciate more than can be expressed in words. I think of a trip to Charlottesville some years ago with a horse and buggy. It was an all-day journey on the road, bumped about from early morning to late at night, having spent one hour in the city getting my sister's certificate and my own qualified for teaching in the public school. It all seems like a dream now.



A Christian father whose three children are at the school.

We have been favored with visits from many of our friends during the summer. Quite a few tourists who visited the Caverns in the Shenandoah Valley made it a point to cross the Blue Ridge and give us a call. Folks are always welcome and we appreciate having them learn more about us and the work they are making possible.

Meetings have been held at six of our regular preaching points. Eld. H. S. Knight, our pastor, with the help of our men from the school, took care of the evangelistic services. Two Daily Vacation Bible schools were taught. Sister Finckh had charge of one at Mt. Hermon and Sister Sherman the other at Evergreen church. As a result of the evangelistic efforts twenty souls were added to the kingdom.

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Aid Society members and Sunday-school class from Westminster. Maryland, visiting school.

A Call for Co-operation

R. F. HINER

Treasurer of District Mission Board, Wash.

IN these days of coöperation in almost every industry of the world it appeals to me that we, as a people, could well afford to work on the same plan in the extension of the kingdom of God in the homeland as well as on the foreign field. If the Gospel, as it is believed and practiced by the Brethren, is to be carried to the unoccupied parts of America, it is very essential that the stronger churches of the East should help the weaker ones of the West to become self-supporting; then they will become a nucleus from which mission points will be started, thus enlarging the borders of God's kingdom here on earth.

Spokane is aided through the Home Department

For instance, we of the state of Washington are at present endeavoring to establish a chain of churches in the most important locations in our great state. This will be possible only by the coöperation of the stronger churches of the East through the General Mission Board. Thus far in the last two years, through such coöperation, we have been able to accomplish a very satisfactory piece of work.

Some eighteen months ago, by the help of the General Board, we were able to place Bro. Geo. W. Hilton in Yakima. Through a well-planned program many who, from the lack of pastoral care, had become indifferent to the church, have been brought to a very vital relationship in the work of the church, and a goodly number have been added to the church by baptism as a result of the regular services.

Through your gifts **Yakima** is served

In the great Northwest there are vast territories as yet unoccupied by any church, and the opportunities for home building as well as soul saving are unlimited. Shall we occupy, or stand by and see the enemy reap the harvest of souls?

Too much emphasis can not be placed upon the necessity of the sacrificial offering of the stronger to help the weaker to a place of higher service for the Master. Then, too, we need those who are not only willing to give of their means, but who are willing to go to the needy fields of the great unoccupied territories of the vast Northwest. Just in this connection may we urge that you first take into consideration your church home, and the other things shall be added, for there are abundant opportunities in the neighborhood of our Western church groups.

Seattle is helped by the General Mission Board

A Strategic Center in Tennessee

RALPH E. WHITE, PASTOR

JOHNSON CITY is a rapidly-growing city of over 26,000. It has more than doubled its population in the last seven years. It has two railroads, a variety of industries, a State Teachers' College, and is a commercial and industrial center for East Tennessee and parts of Virginia and North Carolina. There are Brethren churches in every direction and our people have been coming here for some years, but they never had regular services here until about three years ago, and no church building until Dec. 29, 1927.

Church and Sunday-school were held in a rented church for a little over two years. During this time a separate congregation of sixty-four members was organized and the Sunday-school continued to grow in spite of adverse circumstances. Two revivals were held—one by Bro. John R. Snyder and one by Bro. A. M. Laughrun—both of which resulted in accessions to the church. Shortly after the work was started, local people purchased a lot and started on a plan for a building which culminated in the new church, which was dedicated in January of this year.

A number of agencies united to produce a very convenient and attractive building. The contractor is a member of the church in another congregation, and it is generally conceded that he was one of the largest donors on the building. A local man who does that kind of work donated the stone work on the front. The building is two full stories, combining Sunday-school rooms and auditorium. The Sunday-school rooms for the younger classes and the kitchen are on the first floor, while the adult classrooms and the auditorium are on the second. At the time the church was planned it was thought that we were building for some years ahead, but within six months from the time we got into the building we can see that we did not build as far ahead as we thought we did.

Dr. Paul H. Bowman delivered the dedicatory address on Jan. 29. Bro. J. W. Lear of Elgin, Ill., preached a missionary sermon at night. A number of ministers, educators, and professional men of Johnson City took

JOHNSON CITY CHURCH is supported from the general home mission funds because it is a strategic center for Brethren.

part on the three-night services which followed.

Shortly following the day of dedication, Bro. J. M. Henry of New Windsor, Md., began a series of evangelistic meetings in the new church. On several occasions during the meetings, the seating capacity was taxed to the limit. Thirty-one were added to the church at the time of this meeting, which gave us a total membership of 130.

During the spring a number of organizations were formed, which had been impossible without a building of our own. A "Pioneer Boys' Club" was organized, and it has had weekly meetings and a camping trip this summer. A B. Y. P. D. also was organized. There have been meetings each Sunday night before church and a missionary pageant was given to raise missionary money. This pageant, "Pain Street," also was given in a number of adjoining churches and offerings were taken for missions. The Sunday night meetings have been well attended. The department is furnishing its own room, contributing to missions and to the young people's work of the Southeast Region.

A vacation Bible School was held for two weeks during June. This school was one of the largest in the city. The teachers were all local people. As soon as we got into the new church there was a noticeable increase in church and Sunday-school attendance, and this has continued. Several of the classes are organized and are furnishing the equipment for their own classrooms. From its very beginning this church has had an active Aid Society. The meetings of this organization have been well attended and it has added quite materially to the equipment of the church, as well as contributing its share to the work of the church. The women have chosen to equip the kitchen as their next project.

The Church of the Brethren in Johnson City ought to have a bright future. It is located in a rapidly-growing city. The church has been known in the territory surrounding this city for a hundred years, and Brethren people will continue to come here to make their homes. With wise guidance and enthusiastic support over a period of years, this church should develop into one which could help other churches of the District and the Brotherhood.

A Spiritual Venture in Idaho

A. R. FIKE

Ministerial Secretary, District of Idaho

A GREAT many problems confront the churches in the isolated and sparsely-settled country of the great Northwest. The Mission and Ministerial Boards of Idaho and Western Montana have been grappling with these problems, trying hard to work out a program for a forward movement of the churches in our District. The small membership and distance between churches, however, made the task seem almost futile at times. Churches were becoming discouraged. Several churches were without ministerial help, which would mean no preaching service, and at times the small Sunday-school was discontinued.

In response to a call from our District for help and coöperation, two years ago the General Mission Board came to our assistance. This call was not from a financial standpoint alone, but for advice and suggestions for the administration of our work. With their help we have been able to man the weaker churches with good and efficient workers. We feel it has been very successful in most cases and the spiritual atmosphere has shown a marked improvement. We have placed pastors in five churches, partly supported by the churches and the balance by the District and General Boards.

We require a very complete report at the close of each month from the workers in the respective churches. Judging from the reports which we are receiving, there will be a very substantial gain for the kingdom in the District of Idaho and Western Montana.

Nezperce, Idaho.

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JUDGED by New Testament standards, Protestantism in North America is not even 15% efficient. What greater thing can anyone do than help develop this other 85% of latent power in an agency that is already the most effective force for good on the planet?

What is most needed is a new demonstration of real Christlike living on the part of Christians. This is what the youth of America is demanding. It is also what China and Japan and India and Africa are asking for.

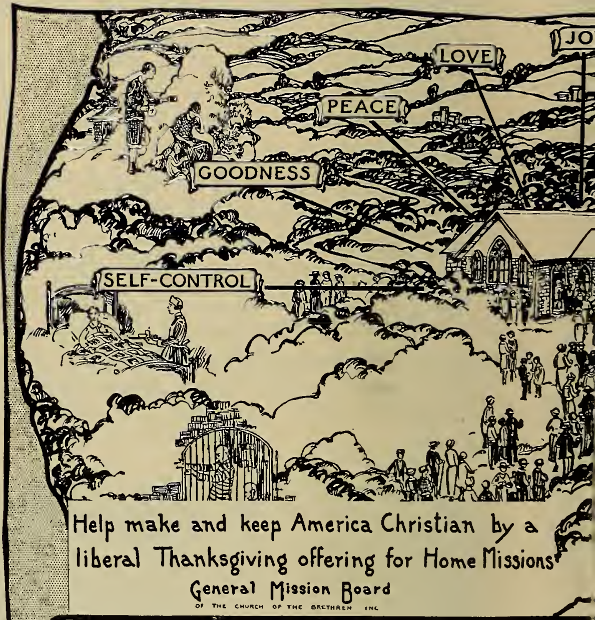
Christ is eager to show what he can do in our lives. Most of us are not quite ready to let him prove what he can do. We have a few plans of our own that we might not be able to carry out, if he were to be given full command of the ship.

One of the very best ways to rise to new levels of spiritual life is to accept Christ's personal commission to all of us to be his "witnesses" and "representatives." A worthy program of personal service is essential to Christlike living. To try to help another to find life in Christ is the surest way to find fuller life for ourselves. This is written in the basic law of life. "Give, and it shall be given unto you."

To accept Christ's great commission to us as a personal commission, "Make disciples of all the nations," and begin to function wherever we touch human beings, is to accept the real stewardship of life that Christ asks of us. And no adequate sense of the stewardship of property can ever come to Christians until they accept the larger trusteeship of God's love for mankind.

America could be evangelized inside of five years by an awakened and purposeful Protestantism. And the world could be evangelized inside of twenty years. One million vital Christians, doubling their own number annually for eleven years, would "make disciples of all the nations." Double one million eleven times and see how many it would be!

J. Campbell White.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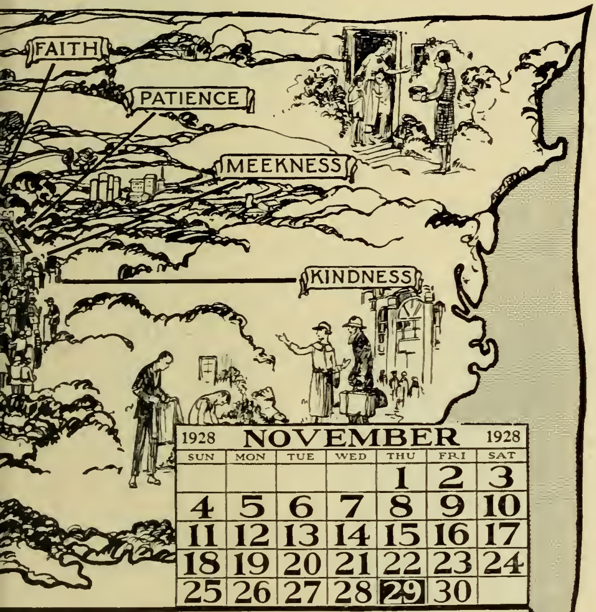

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The Call

THE Spirit of Christ inspires many hearts in America today. Millions however, have not accepted him. A new generation is now coming on. Preaching the Good News must continue. Transitions are taking place. The Christian religion stabilizes. Christian principles applied to modern complex life give civilization an upward trend. The church is not pessimistic. In the power of right it moves on.

Other influences arise, evil in purpose. They are heavily financed and creep subtly into society. The church must be alert and busy. It must exhibit courage and heroism. It must go forth as one. Christ challenges us to vigorous discipleship. He still says,

“Let him deny himself and follow me”;

“Seek ye first the kingdom of heaven”;

“Lift up your eyes unto the field”; “Love thy neighbor as thyself”; “Obey my commandments”; “Go ye.”

Through your Thanksgiving offering last year a large number of mission points were helped. However, a large number of calls came that could not be answered.

Another year is gone. The Home Mission offering to carry through another year is about here. The President of the United States will earnestly ask us to give thanks for our nation. Certainly we will want to express our appreciation by giving a gift that will help make it more Christlike.

Our United Thank Offering is an annual call for help. Make Nov. 18 to 25 self-denial week. Make a liberal offering to the cause of Home Missions. Every church should give something. Think about the number of weak churches in needy fields that need your help. America must be kept Christian. A few persons cannot do it, but unitedly we can win.

M. R. Zigler.

The Workers' Corner

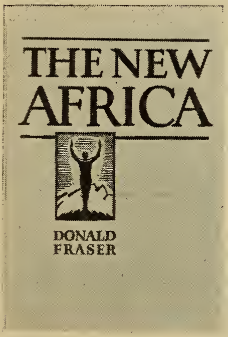
The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

Mission Study for the Winter

THE world is one big neighborhood and through Mission Study Christian people learn facts enabling them to make it a better community. In the September Visitor suggestions were made for various types of study.

Among the many books that may be used some are shown on this page. A fuller catalogue may be had by addressing the General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill. Books should be ordered from the Brethren Publishing House, Elgin, Ill.

For Adults and Older Young People



The New Africa (American edition), by Donald Fraser, secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions of the United Free Church of Scotland; pioneer missionary in Nyasaland; author of "The Future of Africa," "Winning of a Primitive People," etc.

An American edition of the most recent study book issued by the United Council for Missionary Education in Great Britain. Shows the changes that have come into African life through the penetration of Africa by western influences, and presents in a challenging manner the facts regarding the Christian movement today and the needs for tomorrow.

Cloth, $1; paper, 60 cents. "Suggestions to Leaders," 15 cents.

For Women's Groups

Friends of Africa, by Jean Kenyon Mackenzie, formerly a missionary in Africa, author of "African Adventurers," "An African Trail," "African Clearings," etc.

Shows the great needs of Africa. The author is a writer of rare ability and an authority on Africa. Prepared especially for use by societies of women and girls.

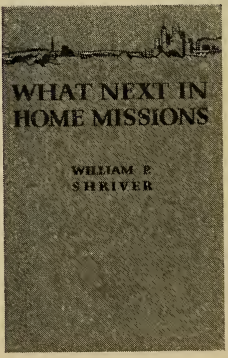
Cloth, 75 cents; paper, 50 cents.

For Adults and Young People

Reaching the World Through America, by W. J. Hamilton. This six-chapter Home Mission book has been written from the viewpoint of the Church of the Brethren. The aim has been to cover the general field of information needed on this subject for class use. As the title indicates, Home Missions are not promoted for their own sake alone, but that the world may be blessed by the message and life of Christ.

The book has already been used extentively in the Camp Harmony, Pa., groups. Paper, $1.

For Adults and Young People

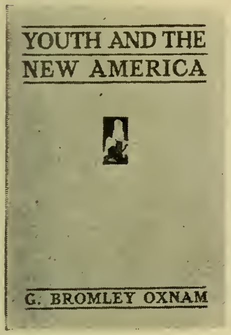


What Next in Home Missions? by William P. Shriver, secretary of the Department of City, Immigrant and Industrial Work, Board of National Missions, Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A., author of "Immigrant Forces," etc.

A general book presenting home missions today through descriptions of a number of typical enterprises and a reinterpretation of the home mission task in the light of the total Christian enterprise.

Cloth, $1; paper, 60 cents. "Suggestions to Leaders," 15 cents.

For Young People



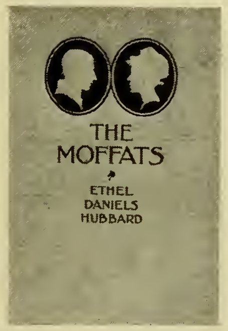
Youth and the New America, by G. Bromley Oxnam, professor of Practical Theology Boston University School of Theology.

Planned especially for youth of high-school age. Presents home missions against the background of the whole Christian enterprise today, both in America and in other countries where America's influence is felt.

Cloth, $1; paper, 60 cents. "Suggestions to Leaders," 15 cents.

For Young People or Seniors

The Moffats, by Ethel Daniels Hubbard, author of "Ann of Ava."



A delightful reading book. Gives the lives of Robert and Mary Moffat, pioneer missionaries to Africa.

Cloth, $1; paper, 75 cents.

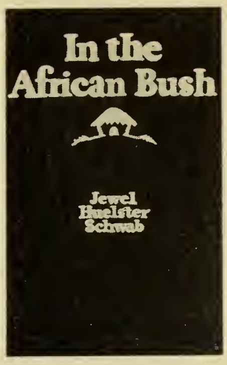
For Intermediates

Livingstone, the Pathfinder, by Basil Mathews.

The most popular biography of the great missionary explorer.

Cloth, $1; paper, 75 cents.

For Juniors



In the African Bush, by Jewel Huelster Schwab, a missionary in Cameroun.

A set of lessons based on a series of charming stories, both by the same author. There are many definite outlines for the class sessions, special services of worship and a cut-out sheet to serve as the basis of handwork.

Cloth, 75 cents.

Africa Picture Sheet (new).

A new picture sheet, consisting of twelve pages of interesting pictures, each with descriptive caption. Useful for posters, notebook, etc. 25 cents.

Picture Map of Africa, by Kathleen Voute. Similar to the "Picture Maps of Latin America and North America." Consists of a large decorated map in outline accompanied by an insert sheet containing sketches to color, cut out, and paste on the map at the places indicated. 50 cents.

For Juniors or Primaries

Africa Picture Stories (new), by Lois Johnson McNeill, missionary in Africa.

Entirely new, both pictures and stories. Five large pictures and a pamphlet giving a story to tell about each picture. 50 cents.

For Beginners

Black and White, by Lucy W. Peabody, author of "Just Like You," etc.

The third in the "Everyland Children" series of stories for very little people. About David Livingstone and his black friend, Susi. Leatherette, 25 cents.

An African Picture Game. A sheet of colored figures to illustrate story. 40 cents.

A Thanksgiving Program at the Church Will Make the Season of This Year Richer

Material will be sent free from the General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill.

MONTHLY PROGRAM OUTLINE FOR WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETIES

Text: **Friends of Africa.** Cloth, 75c; paper, 50c.

Lesson: Chapter 3, The Friend as Doctor.

Devotional: Hymn—The Great Physician.

Scripture: Mark 1: 29-39.

Prayer: For doctors and nurses who follow the steps of the Great Physician.

Lesson: The Need of Doctors in Africa, pp. 76-82.

Five women give their impressions of Mrs. Frazer's work in Africa, three minutes each.

1. The open sore of Africa, p. 84.
2. The causes of high mortality, pp. 85-89.
3. The hospital, pp. 91-94.
4. Mothercraft classes, pp. 94-97.
5. Food and clothing in relation to health, pp. 103-107.

The doctor's reward, pp. 116-119.

Discussion: 1. The medical work of the Church of the Brethren in Africa. (See June Missionary Visitor.)

2. What can our society do to help release the power of the Great Physician?

Close with silent prayer, followed by the Lord's prayer in unison.

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To the J. C. L. Workers:

We hope you have had a happy summer and enjoyed the work and saving you have done for the people of India. Now the harvest time for crops is over, or will be in the next few months.

The money should be collected and sent by your treasurer to GENERAL MISSION BOARD, ELGIN, ILL. Designate it for Junior League, 1928. Send the money as soon as it can be collected, so it can be sent on its way to do good in India.

We hope as you grow older you will always be good missionary supporters.

Yours in the Spirit of Christ,
General Mission Board.

Little Ann of Lost Gap*

ELIZABETH KERN

I AM writing this from the hill country. I have found haven here at Lost Gap, in the mountain cabin of old Ahab Dove. When I told the old mountaineer that I wanted nothing but quiet for awhile he smiled and said: "Waal, you have come ter the right spot fer that!"

He spoke truly. One day is very like another day here in the mountains. In the morning I drag an old split-bottomed chair out under the pine trees. At stated times during the day, old Ahab's wife sends her granddaughter, Little Ann, out to me with bread and milk and berries, and sometimes a mountain trout. The child has been warned by the old people not to annoy me so she seldom talks, but once in a while she will linger, looking solemnly at me out of great black eyes. Once in a while, too, old Ahab, on his way to the mill or the trout stream, will stop to pass the time of day. But the greater part of the time I am entirely alone.

It is not an exciting life. But I love the spicy fragrance of the pines and the sound of the running water and the deep peace of the hills. I have come, too, to care for the simple folk in the cabin. And especially do I love Little Ann, with her quiet ways, so at variance with her tense, eager expression and her great hungry eyes that seem always asking. She rarely speaks, yet when she does talk, one catches a glimpse of a poet's imagination.

Not very long ago we were watching the miracle of the evening sky. "Who done it?" she asked suddenly, nodding her head toward the sunset. "Who painted it all pink and red and gold?"

"Why, God painted it, child," I answered, smiling into her eager face.

"Where'd he git his paint?" she demanded. Then thoughtfully, "Did he dip it out o' the sun?"

The other day I saw her lean forward breathlessly to watch a ruby-throated humming bird poise over a magnificent clump of laurel. "I wisht I knowed how you done it!" she cried hungrily. "I wisht I knowed!" The child ought to be in school, I thought.

And so last night when old Ahab had finished his evening meal I thought to broach the subject.

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* By permission of the Woman's Home Missionary Society, Methodist Episcopal Church.

"Ahab," I began, "are there no schools in the mountains?"

Old Ahab pulled hard at his pipe. "No, we ain't never had no schools in these here mountains," he said slowly. "We ain't never had no schools nor churches nor nothin'. But all my whole life long," he added, "I've wanted a chanct ter larn. Jes' seems like I can't remember the time when I didn't want ter be at school.

"When I was a little shaver," the old mountaineer went on in his patient, wistful voice, "a missionary come ter Lost Gap one day, and from a little book he carried, he read us the story of a child an' a star an' some shepherds. Hit seems that the child growed up into a kind of a healer an' he went aroun' healin' the lame an' the sick an' the blind. But after 'while his enemies got too much fer him and they took him away an' they was goin' ter put him ter death with two thieves. But jes' then," said old Ahab Dove, "jes' then the missionary was called away—an' I never got ter hear how the story ended. An' all my life, I've been waitin' fer some one ter come who would larn me ter read so's I could find out the end of the story.

"But the summer went by an' the wild geese honked south in the fall an' back again in the spring, an' another year was gone—an' nobody never come. An' when I'd plow the mountain land an' git ter the end of the furrow, I use ter look down the mountain ter see ef thar wasn't somebody comin'. Only nobody never did.

"An' after 'while, I knowed that fer me, hit was too late—an' hit's too late fer my boy. But when Little Ann come along"—the old voice quivered and broke—"when Little Ann come along," he said huskily, "hit jes' seemed as if I couldn't stand hit not ter put her on the trail fer the schoolhouse."

I was deeply touched by the old man's story. "Surely there are missions somewhere in the mountains?" I asked. "Yes," he replied, "I've been down ter the mission. The mail carrier at Cross Roads tole me about hit. A good school hit was, he tole me, over at Bufflick Run, forty mile over the mountain. When I heered that, hit jes' seemed ter me as if a dream was comin' true, as if I was jes' that little boy again lookin' down the mountain fer help—with help a-comin'.

"An' I went and tole Little Ann about hit, an' we set down on a log an' we talked and talked. Jes' think, I says, jes' think, our Little Ann is goin' ter larn about the things I've wanted all my life ter know.

"'Yes,' says Little Ann, smilin' up in my face, 'I'll study all the time, gran'daddy. An' some day I'll come back from school an' we'll set down by the fire an' I'll read you out of the book, an'—guess what the story'll be?' Of course I knowed what she meant, but somehow I couldn't answer. I jes' had ter keep winkin' back the tears that was makin' my old eyes hurt. So Little Ann answered for me. 'Yes, gran'daddy,' she said softly, "it'll be the story of the little child an' the shepherds an' the star.'

"An' the next day, I started over the mountain fer the mission. Little Ann went along as fer as Cross Roads with me, dancin' every step of the way. Forty mile ain't nothin' ter walk when thar's a schoolhouse at the end. An' when I finally reached the mission, I walked all 'round an' I see little gals with their letters an' books an' thin's, an' I see one little gal who looked like Little Ann. She was readin' out of a book an' I couldn't help wonderin' if it wasn't the story the missionary read me when I was a little boy.

"An' then I went up ter the mission house an' tole the teacher 'bout Little Ann. She was a nice woman. 'I only wish I could take her in,' she said, 'an' you could tell by her voice that she meant it. 'But we can't accept any more students just now. We are overcrowded as it is.'

"'Do—do you mean Little Ann can't come?' I askt her, an' somehow I couldn't keep my voice from shakin'. We had never thought, Little Ann an' me—that she might not be able to git in. An' the mission teacher said sorter to herself: 'If they only knew! If they only knew!' An' then she tole me how the mission school was run. She said as how the good women in the church met together an' formed their Missionary Society an' how they planned for hit, an' sacrificed for hit, an' how they got out mite boxes an' had thank-offerings. It was the money from the thank-offering, she said, that helped to run the mission school.

"'They are splendid women,' said the mission teacher, 'loyal and generous an' fine, but there is so much in their busy lives that sometimes they forget, or they think they can't afford to give, an' the money doesn't come in, an'—then' she said, lookin' up at me with her eyes filled with tears, 'then—the little Anns of the mountain have to suffer.' I didn't understand everythin' she tole me. All I knowed was, I'd hafter go back an' tell Little Ann thar wasn't no room for her at the school. So I started off an' as I crossed the mission yard, I could see the little gals playin' about, an' under a big maple tree, with the book still on her lap, was the one that looked like Little Ann.

"I was a good deal longer goin' back than I was comin'. When I reached the Cross Roads, thar was Little Ann jes' as if she'd never left the spot. An' when she see me, she come runnin' toward me—her black eyes shinin' like the stars.

"An' then—then I tole her. She never said nothin'—jes' stood thar lookin' at me—an' her eyes had the same look that a deer has when it's wounded an' the shot's gone deep.

"She never mentioned school after that. She never cried ner complained ner nothin' —Little Ann didn't—she jes' shet her lips tight an' kept quiet. But ole Ahab knowed. He'd been thar!

"An' a year went by. An one day I found her down in the Holler holdin' a piece of newspaper that the mail carrier had throwed away. 'What're you doin,' Little Ann?' I called to her. She never said nothin' fer a minute, an' then she looked up an' I see thar was tears in her eyes. An' she said: 'I was jes' pretendin' to myself that I was readin'!" That was the first time I ever see her cry—an' I tole her, 'Little Ann,' I said, 'termorrow I'm goin' back thar ter Bufflick, an' have another try at the mission.'

"An' the next mornin' I pulled out over the Great North Mountain. An' I jes' went an' tole the mission teacher how things was up thar in our mountain. I tole her 'bout Little Ann waitin' fer her chanct ter larn—not complainin' ner nothin'—I tole her—jes' waitin'. An' when I was through, the mission teacher's face was twitchin' an' she put her hand on my arm. 'I'm expectin' to hear from the Home Missionary Society just any time now,' she said. 'Tell Little Ann as soon as the money gets in, I'll send a letter—an' she can come.'

"An' that's why every day, rain or shine, I go down ter the Cross Roads, ter see ef thar's any news. But—the letter never comes. Seems like I can't stan' hit sometimes, when the mail man rides on by an' calls out: "Not today, Ahab!'"

The old mountaineer was quiet for a long time. Then he looked up with a patient smile. "If they only knew! That's what the teacher tole me: If the Home Missionary people only knew!"

I thought over the old man's words far into the night. And today came the golden thought, I would write to the Woman's Home Missionary Society myself and tell them of Little Ann. The mission teacher is right. They are fine and loyal and generous—these devoted women of the church. The reason Little Ann has to suffer is because they do not know.

And so I am writing directly to **you,** dear people of the Woman's Home Missionary Society—wherever you may be. I am writing here under the pine-trees in the shadow of old Ahab's cabin. I know that if you could only see Little Ann with her great hungry eyes looking down the mountain for help, you would not let her look in vain.

And my hand is all a-tremble as I write. For, believing in you as I do, I know that the day is not far distant when old Ahab and Little Ann will go down to Cross Roads to watch for the mail to come. I can see just how they will look—the old mountaineer with his patient face turned toward the winding road, and Little Ann—body tense, hand clenched, lips tight, the soul of her blazing from her great black eyes. At the turn of the road the mail carrier will come in sight, waving something in his hand. There's a ring to his voice as he calls: "It's come! It's come! Here's your letter, Little Ann!" I cannot see the faces of the old mountaineer or of Little Ann, for my eyes are wet with sudden tears. But from out of the deep peace of the hills, I seem to hear a voice saying:

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these—ye have done it unto me!"

THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY

Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

THE FALL FESTIVAL

Adaline Hohf Beery

T hrilling with Thanksgiving plans,
H omeward haste the eager clans;
A pple-cheeked, with sunny curls,
N imbly trip vivacious girls;
K ettles full of steaming things,
S melling like a feast for kings;
G randmas beaming o'er the crowd,
I mpish boys with laughter loud;
V ases full of autumn blooms,
I vy wreaths in all the rooms;
N ow let's stand with bowéd head
G iving thanks for "daily bread."

NUTS TO CRACK

Dissected Word

I am composed of 12 letters.
My 2, 3, 1, is a article of apparel.
My 3, 6, 5, is to request.
My 7, 8, 4, is whiskey.
My 9, 3, 4, is the front.
My 10, 11, 5, is a writing fluid.
My 12, 3, 8, 4, is to acquire.
My 9, 3, 10, 11, is empty or fruitless.
My 2, 3, 4, 7, is to suspend.
My 12, 3, 6, 2, is a deep cut.
My 1, 3, 4, 5, is a reservoir.
My 7, 11, 3, 6, 2, is to grind the teeth.
My whole is a homecoming holiday.

Hidden Word

I am composed of 12 letters.
My first is in hat, but not in cap.
My next is in hole, but not in gap.
My third is in ram, but not in goat.
My fourth is in shoe, but not in coat.
My fifth is in March, but not in June.
My sixth is in knife, but not in spoon.
My seventh is in straw, but not in chaff.
My eighth is in scowl, but not in laugh.
My ninth is in wind, but not in breeze.
My tenth is in lock, but not in keys.
My eleventh is in north, but not in south.
My twelfth is in eyes, but not in mouth.
My whole is the cause which this issue of the Visitor is propagating.

(Answers next month)

OCTOBER NUTS CRACKED

Months having a national holiday.—1. February. 2. May. 3. September. 4. January. 5. July. 6. November. 7. April. 8. December.

Hidden Trees.—1. Maple. 2. Elm. 3. Pine. 4. Chestnut. 5. Poplar. 6. Beech. 7. Fir. 8. Willow.

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Help make and keep America Christian by a liberal Thanksgiving offering for home missions.

The Tale of a Ford

EDITH SCAMMON

THE Ford car fairly flew over the smooth hard road.

"Say, Dad, this is racing all right—with no speed limits to worry about." Hal laughed joyfully as he pulled his cap off and waved it in the air. "Hooray! Keep her at it."

"I've got to, if we reach the next town before night. It is easy going here, but those hills straight ahead of us will mean good steady climbing." After a pause he added, "This is the worst heat we have struck since we left New York. Even the wind is scorching." Mr. Ware wiped the perspiration from his sunburnt forehead.

Hal looked out of the fast-moving car. There was nothing to be seen but the flat stretch of dust-colored country extending to the very edge of the horizon. Beside the road grew clumps of dull-green sagebrush. Before them the white road stretched straight as an arrow until it seemed to lose itself in a distant range of gray hills.

"Isn't it great to be really 'out West'? Now if we could only meet a few Indians or even buffaloes, it would be just like the story books. But," Hal added, "I shouldn't want to live here all the time. It must be mighty lonesome—for the children especially."

"Oh, they get used to it," Mr. Ware replied, carelessly.

The sun dropped slowly out of sight behind a high hill as the sturdy little car puffed away up the slope.

Suddenly—Hal's father could never explain how it happened—as they turned a sharp curve on a bit of down grade, the car swerved, left the road, and plunged into a clump of mesquite bushes.

Hal was thrown clear of the car, falling in a pile of soft sand. After a moment, during which the sky seemed full of shooting stars, he jumped to his feet, unhurt, and ran toward the overturned car. To his horror he found his father lying beneath it.

"O Dad!" he half sobbed.

"All right, son, I'm not hurt—at least not much, but I can't move. I seem to be pinned in here."

Following his suggestion Hal worked bravely, but he was not strong enough to lift the weight that pressed his father to the ground and held him as in a vise. What was to be done? Both realized that it might be hours before any ranchman or tourist passed along the road, as they had traveled all day and met but three cars. Finally Hal proposed that he walk on ahead to the little settlement which, according to the auto guide, could not be many miles distant. He could then tell of his father's plight and send some one to the rescue.

"But I hate to have you start off alone in this wild place," Mr. Ware exclaimed. "Still, I suppose it is the only way."

"Why, father, I am a big boy now. I am not a 'fraid cat,' and as long as there are no buffaloes or Indians—" Hal laughed, as he said "good-by" cheerfully and walked quickly along the road. His heart beat faster and faster, for way down deep inside he was desperately afraid. He had lived all his life in a big city where the houses almost touched each other, facing streets with crowds of people passing day and night. He suddenly felt alone in all the world.

The wind which had been blowing all the afternoon seemed to be increasing as darkness came on. Tiny particles of sand hit his cheeks and pricked him like needles. Almost in a moment clouds of sand rose from the ground, but he pushed on ahead until the sand nearly blinded him and the force of the wind knocked him over. A certain paragraph in the big geography at school came like a flash to his mind. It was on the page opposite the map of Africa and began, "Sandstorms occur frequently in the desert country." Evidently there were sandstorms out West, too. Would it bury him alive—and poor Dad under the car? He must find some one to go to his father's rescue.

Jumping up, Hal staggered on blindly. It was no use; it was hopelessly dark, and the wind was like a hurricane. He stumbled against a bush of mesquite which seemed to offer a slight protection. He was so very sleepy. Curling up in the hot sand, he whispered softly:

"'Now I lay me down to sleep
I pray the Lord my soul to keep,'
And dear Dad's, too," he added.

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"Say! Wake up, kid, what's the matter with you?" Hal heard a voice sound dimly in his ear. Was it Bridget, and would he be late to school again? No, it didn't sound like Bridget. She never called him "kid."

He sat up and rubbed his eyes. Where was he? Outdoors—the sun was shining! He was half covered with yellow sand. Sand! Now he remembered.

There, beside him, shaking his arm, sat a girl about his own age. She didn't look at all like the girls he knew at home. She wore a faded blue calico dress. Her hair was long and straight, not even braided. Her face was brown and freckled, but she had nice eyes, and they were looking right into his, and smiling.

"Such a fright as you gave me! I thought maybe the sandstorm last night had finished you. Feel all right?" she questioned a little anxiously. And as Hal nodded his head, she asked, "What did you do, drop from the sky?"

Hal told his story eagerly. "But how did you know I was out here? Did you just happen—"

"Sure! We live on a ranch down yonder—just Ma and I and the baby. Sam," she pointed to a lank white horse standing meekly a few steps behind her—"Sam and I started out early this morning for Williams' ranch. The Sunday-school man's coming today for the last time." Her eyes dropped to the ground, and she pulled at the hem of her dress. "I wouldn't have missed it for anything. Ma and the baby generally go, but he's sick today."

"Oh, is it Sunday?" Hal asked doubtfully. Everything seemed so unreal. He was sure he wasn't quite awake.

"Sure! I'll take you along, and you can be a new scholar. That will be great!" She jumped up and clapped her hands excitedly. "Don't you just love to go to Sunday-school?"

"Yes—sometimes," Hal answered, hesitating a little. He thought of the big dim city church, the music of the organ, and the rows and rows of little boys and girls, sitting straight and stiff, dressed in their best clothes. Sunday-school out here in the sand and sagebrush! The world seemed very topsy-turvy. "But Dad, I must find him first," he exclaimed.

"Well, I've come four miles from home, and it is only three to Williams' ranch, so we'll go to the ranch and tell them there about it. Maybe somebody's picked him up 'fore this," she added encouragingly.

With a spring she was on Sam's back, telling Hal to climb up behind her and hold on tight. During the ride she asked him questions about New York. "It must be wonderful to live where there are lots of people and churches and schools and stores," she burst out. "But then, I'd miss all the"—she hesitated for the right word—"all the bigness. It will be kinder lonesome, though, when the Sunday-school man doesn't come any more. We sing and sing, and he tells the nicest stories. Every Sunday folks come for miles, bring their lunches, and stay all day."

"All day!" Hal exclaimed under his breath, then asked aloud, "Why can't he come any more?"

"Oh, I guess the churches and missionary societies back East won't send him any more money. Then he has so many miles to travel with his horse. He can't get to more than three places in a Sunday, so he's got to cut us out. Does your father drink?" she asked abruptly.

"My father?" Hal clutched her arm. "What do you mean?"

"Oh, don't get mad! But my brother Will did—most all the time—till the Sunday-school man came, and then he stopped right short. It isn't a bit nice to have your men folks drink," she said, thoughtfully.

When they reached the little ranch house with the big windmill in front of it, a group of men and women and boys and girls were gathered beside the door. Hal gave a shout of joy, for there in the very center of the group stood his father, safe and sound. He slid off Sam's back right into his father's arms.

"O my boy, I was so afraid for you!" Mr. Ware exclaimed. "Men from this ranch came along the road last night, and found me unconscious and half buried under the car. They brought me here, and they are now hunting the country over for you."

Not for a long time will Hal forget that Sunday in the little ranch house. Even the well-known Bible stories told by the earnest young missionary seemed to have a fresh meaning. Mary—for that was the name of Hal's rescuer—introduced him with dignified pride to all the other children, as "my friend from New York."

As the Sunday-school man was telling the people that he could not come to them again and that the Sunday-school would have to be discontinued, Hal held a whispered consultation with his father.

"Isn't it to send missionaries to places just like this that we give our missionary offering at Thanksgiving time?" he asked.

"I believe it is, Hal," was the answer.

"Then next year I'll tell the other children in my class all about today, so they'll feel that it is all **real**, and we will save our money weeks beforehand. And O Dad," he said, slowly, "if he only had a Ford—like ours—he could keep this Sunday-school going, and start new ones, perhaps!"

Mr. Ware had just the slightest twinkle in his eye, as he remarked earnestly, "If you say so, son, we'll go the rest of the way by train."

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HOW READEST THOU?

It is one thing to read the Bible through,
Another thing to read to learn and do.
Some read it as their duty once a week,
But no instruction from the Bible seek;
Some read to bring themselves into repute
By showing others how they can dispute;
While others read because their neighbors do,
To see how long 'twill take to read it through.
Some read it for the wonders that are there—
How David killed a lion and a bear;
While others read it with uncommon care,
Hoping to find some contradictions there.
One reads with father's specs upon his head,
And sees the thing just as his father said.
Some read to prove a preadopted creed;
Hence understand but little that they read,
For every passage in the Book they bend
To make it suit that all-important end.
Some people read, as I have often thought,
To teach the Book instead of being taught;
And some there are who read it out of spite—
I fear there are but few who read it right.
So many people in these latter days
Have read the Bible in so many ways
That few can tell which system is the best,
For every party contradicts the rest.
But read it prayerfully and you will see,
Although men contradict, God's words agree.

—Selected.

Picking peas at the Church of the Brethren Industrial School

THE KEYSER CONGREGATION

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gelists. Those who served as Evangelists were: A. B. Miller, John T. Glick, Jeremiah Thomas, A. C. Miller, O. B. Maphis, and M. J. Broughter. The last revival was conducted by the pastor. At each of these revivals a number were added to the church. As music director, Brother Nelson T. Huffman served during the first four meetings, and Brother C. W. Roller during the last three.

The church has also taken an active part in Religious Education. The Sunday-school has enjoyed a normal growth. Under the able leadership of Brother Harvey E. Arnold as Superintendent since February 5, 1922, the average attendance has advanced each year as follows: 1921, 40; 1922, 57; 1923, 72; 1924, 86; 1925, 100; 1926, 104; 1927, 115; and 1928, 125. The church has also taken an active part in Leadership Training both in the local church and in coöperation with the other churches of the city. In Vacation Bible Schools the Church of the Brethren became the pioneer in Keyser, having had a school each year since 1922. During the summer of 1928 the Keyser Churches put on their first Community Vacation Bible School with Brother West serving as Superintendent. During the past six years the church has enjoyed the services of such outstanding leaders as Ezra Flory, Minor C. Miller, J. Quinter Miller and others who have helped to give the church a place of high standing among the other churches in the Field of Religious Education.

Up until 1924 the Keyser work was a part of the New Creek Congregation. The work having grown to such a place it was thought best to divide the territory and organize a city church. This was effected at a Council at Keyser with Brethren George S. Arnold and B. W. Smith in charge. The line was established three miles south of Keyser, giving to the Keyser work the outlying territory, including the city of Piedmont five miles up the Potomac River. The country division retained the name of New Creek Congregation with Brother B. W. Smith as Elder. By request of Brother Smith he was relieved of the Keyser work and Brother Jeremiah Thomas was chosen as elder. This he held until 1925 when Brother West was ordained and chosen as Presiding Elder.

The development of the financial system of the church was necessarily slow. Most of the charter members of the church were formerly members of the country churches under the old system of a free ministry. And while most of them were enthusiastic and consecrated they had had very little instruction along the line of systematic, proportionate giving. They had bought a lot and built a church and in many ways were making great sacrifice for the cause. The weekly offerings were small. Money was raised by soliciting in the homes each month. The pastor was secured without any financial consideration whatever and for the first four years, in order to lighten the burden of the church, he served as instructor in the High School. Various improvements were made in the system from time to time until finally in 1925 the envelope system was installed and the church placed on a firm financial basis. At that time the pastor was placed on full-time service.

Five miles above Keyser are located three towns, Piedmont, W. Va., and Westernport and Luke, Md., which are known as Tri-Towns. They include a population of about seven or eight thousand people. When this territory was assigned to Keyser in 1924 the pastor immediately made a survey of the possibilities there. A few Brethren families were found and their letters transferred to Keyser as there was no church in that territory. In the meantime, through revivals at Keyser a few others of that territory were added to the church. In 1925 six brethren and sisters met at the home of Brother S. K. Fike in Piedmont for prayer. At this meeting a prayer meeting organization was formed for the purpose of promoting the work of the Brethren there. This movement held its meetings on each Tuesday evening in the various homes. So rapidly did these meetings grow in interest and numbers that the Brethren began to think in terms of their own Sunday services. In October, 1926, the Odd Fellows Hall was rented for services and Brother West conducted a two weeks' revival. As a result of these meetings the membership was drawn together and a number added to the church. Following this revival the hall was retained for Sunday-school and preaching. The Sunday-school was organized with an initial attendance of twenty-three, but with such splendid interest that the enrollment reached almost the hundred mark within the year. In April, 1927, Brother and Sister S. Z. Smith of Ohio conducted a revival and thirty-five were added to the membership. On July 18, 1927, the church was formally organized as the Westernport Congregation of the Western District of Maryland, with a charter membership of sixty-six. By this organization twenty-six members were automatically transferred from the Keyser Congregation. Brother Scrogum of Accident, Maryland, who had been helping out in the work there, was chosen as part time pastor. Brother Scrogum is ably assisted by a number of strong local workers including Sister Pearl Boor and Brother Perry Parker who were elected to the ministry at the organization of the church, Elder S. P. Digman, Brethren W. O. Devore, S. K. Fike, and others. This church, which is in a sense the outgrowth of the work at Keyser, under its present able leadership has reached a total membership of ninety-five and a Sunday-school enrollment of 120.

On September 1, 1928, Brother Russell G. West closed his pastorate at Keyser in order to enter his seminary training at Bethany Bible School. He turns over to his successor, Brother B. M. Rollins of Mount Pleasant, Pennsylvania, a well organized, active church with a membership of 244. The church is considered fortunate in securing the services of Brother Rollins and it is believed that the Keyser Congregation has a promising future.

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IS AMERICA PAGAN?

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of perfect love, mutual helpfulness, moral integrity, universal peace, and eternal progress. These are the antidotes for paganism. "Choose you this day whom ye will serve—O America." We, Christian Americans, must take the initiative. We must vitalize our Home Mission program with prayer, and perpetuate it with good works. Unless America can present to the world a front of clean streets, clean business, clean citizenship, and civic righteousness, how effective will our program abroad be, where an educated paganism presents a united front?

Our task is great. Our Home Mission Councils hold the fort at the present time. The Lord is able to make his commands effective. Divine Love is all-conquering. Shall we not go forth in his name, until America, our beloved land, shall come to know the angels' song of peace and good-will; until every knee in America shall bow, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord? Did art, culture, and refinement save Greece?

Did wealth, power, and statesmanship save Rome?

Did ethics, philosophy, and metaphysics save India?

Will any or all of these save America? You know the answer. We need all of these, actuated and motivated by Christ and his Spirit to make them potent in promoting the welfare of humanity, and perpetuating the republic.

Chicago, Ill.

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WORK FOR WOMEN

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ister or ministers in the congregation, who fill the preaching appointments on Sunday, but who can do very little of the pastoral type of work, because of their jobs on the farm or at the office by which they make their living during the week. A consecrated young woman with ability, sent to a church of this kind, can do very worth-while things in directing the activities of the young people, in being a real spiritual adviser to all, and in expanding the border of the kingdom.

Our young people and our older ones as well are willing to serve, they are even eager to do it, but in so many places they are hungering for some one to show them the way, some one to take the lead and advise. I believe the young women of our church who have dedicated their all to Christ can be used in a large way here and prove a valuable means of extending our work on the home base.

Twin Falls, Idaho.

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"More than ever in our history the challenge of home missions is a clarion call to save a lost world."

"America, if Christian, helps the whole world become Christian."

"One half of the people of America today are not linked to Christ through his church. Many of these are children under no religious instruction. These constitute a challenge to evangelism."

BRETHREN ACTIVITIES IN NORTH CAROLINA

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Upon our return to the state of North Carolina, we were anxious to present the project in the five "Middle" churches in Mitchell County. The time was here, too, for Daily Vacation Bible Schools. With a young man from Flat Rock and a school-teacher from Mill Creek church, Bro. Rohrer went to Mitchell County, where he held a D. V. B. S. in Pleasant Grove church and visited two of the five churches, taking the names of those volunteering a day's wage, but not giving out quarters, as the time seemed too short to accomplish anything. Because of bad roads and constant rain, letters were sent to the other three churches, but they could not be reached for a personal canvass.

About this time a letter came from the "Moore" Men's Bible Class of Waynesboro, Pa., asking about the work and showing a desire to coöperate in the work. The class is now contributing to Bro. Rohrer's traveling expenses in the church work here in the mountains.

Because of this we were able to add a hektograph to our equipment. The News Letter was copied on this, and from seventeen to twenty-four copies of six different issues were mailed out. A new feature was added. "Watch it grow" had been our slogan, and this was continued, but at the top of each letter some cartoon, representing a phase of the work, was drawn. This helped the interest in the News Letter.

By April interesting reports had begun to come in from the Southern group. One boy had bought and sold soap in a mill town and his quarter had grown to three dollars. Hoping to increase his profits he bought two rabbits. Both rabbits died! However, he started bravely again and had one dollar to turn in at District Meeting time.

In Alleghany County a girl invested her quarter in supplies, baked cakes, and sold them to men working on the roads near by. Her efforts were delightfully successful. One little girl about five years old made over six dollars from her chickens this year. Two little boys had been given a dog. Conditions were such that they couldn't keep him long, so they sold him for two dollars and gave a tenth to the "project."

The money this year was to be divided into four parts, one part to be used in the home church if desired; one to be sent to Bridgewater-Daleville and Bethany Bible Schools; one for District work, and the last to the General Mission Board for use at home.

At District Meeting sixteen churches had their reports ready. (One reported a week later.) Some who came from churches where letters had been sent, seemed to have not understood the proposition and therefore reported nothing, but said that by another year they hoped to do their part. Many recommended the work and expressed a wish that it might continue another year.

As the roll was called and the captains came forward, it began to look like a young banking concern. Captains began to hesitate at the desk to watch the column of figures.

The money collected there amounted to $221, and several captains expected to collect more. Since then about $38 has been sent in. Again the delegates voted enthusiastically for Bro. Rohrer to put on the program again next year.

After this meeting, the young people met with Bro. W. M. Kahle on a mountain side. Three earnest talks were made and the people seemed deeply impressed. Bro. Rohrer had presented the subject of tithing. Two young women came to him later and added their names to his list of North Carolina tithers. There are six of us now. We are hoping—expecting—big things along this line in the near future. Two young men who are now in Ohio at work are recruits to this list.

While the other three workers were at work in D. V. B. S.—I with two helpers—a young lady from Peak Creek and a young man from Mt. Carmel went to New Haven, where we held a very interesting Bible School. Our program was well attended. The children did good work and the display was effective. Six schools were conducted. The summer just passed too quickly to be able to hold schools in every church where they wanted one. Next summer, the Lord willing, we hope to send those who had training this year as principals in schools. Several other young people have asked to help in this and want to know how to prepare to help.

Nearly three hundred were enrolled in the six schools; fifty-six attended no Sunday-school. Another Sunday-school was organized, following a Bible School. In order to get this started, Bro. Rohrer left Janet and me at Mt. Carmel, where I was then superintendent, and taking our two boys with him drove on, thirty miles in all, to superintend the new Sunday-school. We hope now that this school will be able to carry on with their own people as officers. There are few members there, but they are vitally interested in keeping the work going.

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There were a number of unavoidable hindrances that broke up the interest at several points. At Shiflet Hollow a measles epidemic swept the community and it became necessary to close the meeting at the end of the first week. At Shiloh Bro. Knight developed an ulcerated eye and Bro. Sherman took charge of the meeting for a few days and then closed. Sister Bertha Sanford, who taught a two months' public school there, did much to help in a spiritual way. At Evergreen Bro. J. D. Huffman of Broadway, Va., began a meeting and was rained out completely. The roads were so bad because of the rain every day and night that we thought the only thing to do was to let him go home. Regardless of the weather a good spirit prevailed and the interest was good in the community. The rains let up and our love feast was well attended on Saturday. The people urged that they have a few more meetings, and Bro. Sherman took charge for a few evenings. Eight souls confessed Christ and were baptized. Bro. Bollinger will have charge of the revival services at the school the first two weeks in October.

Sept. 1 a most enjoyable time was spent in a homecoming of former teachers, graduates and students. More than a hundred were in attendance. An interesting program was given in the chapel, in which several of our graduates took part telling of their whereabouts and experiences since leaving school. A wiener roast was enjoyed in the meadow at supper time. Nothing so thrills our youngsters as to announce supper at the Big Rock at the foot of the hill.

The opening of the sixth session of school, September 13, was the largest and most interesting we have yet had. We have eighty-five enrolled in the elementary department and sixteen in the high school. There are always those who enter later and we have promised to hold room for some. We feel that we have the most promising group in our history. For the first time we have normally graded primary according to age and size. We have had them ranging in ages from six to fifteen years. A few of the older ones have been promoted and are going on, while others gave it up and dropped out of school. So, with our primary work, we can note quite an advancement. In fact, the entire school is showing improvement along many lines. Our classes are larger and more uniform, and it makes quite a difference in working with them. We have seven freshmen for high school next year and a class of ten following them which are of our own production and we are very proud of them.

Our boarding family will have reached the limit this year. We have thirty-one girls and the same number of boys; thus our family is more than seventy. A large number of children are on the waiting list to enter, and scores have been turned away for lack of room.

A physical inspection of all students and pupils was made by the District nurse and she checked us up with quite a number of five-point children. There were a number of four-pointers who will need slight corrections. We are very fortunate to have had the services of Dr. Royster of the University of Virginia and his nurses for the past two years. Many children have been helped and made fit who would otherwise have gone through life handicapped. There is a possibility of the work being discontinued at the end of the year. One of the county's most dependable doctors has left the county, which will mean a setback and a very great inconvenience to the people. There are only two doctors to work over a large area.

A fine opening presents itself for a good doctor to locate in our midst, and we should be very happy to have some one look this way. The mountain folk come to us from many miles for help and to get in touch with the nurse. A Christian doctor could do no

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MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT DISCONTINUED

The detailed financial report of mission receipts, which for years has appeared in each issue of the Visitor, is discontinued. The General Mission Board, in consideration of economy and the need of space for other material, made the foregoing decision.

Each contributor of any mission money receives a receipt to indicate that the Mission treasurer has received the money sent. In place of the detailed recognition of donors a monthly statement giving the total of each fund will be made.

The June Visitor is the Board's Annual Report and shows the total of all funds received and expended for the year.

Conference Offering, 1928. As of Sept. 30, 1928, the Conference (budget) for the year ending Feb. 28, 1929, stands as follows:

Cash received since March 1, 1928 ....$146,646.16

The 1928 budget of $389,000 is 37.7% raised, whereas it should be 58.3%).

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on Sept. 30, 1928:

Income since March 1, 1928	$159,600.99
Income same period last year	162,447.98
Expense since March 1, 1928	178,334.93
Expense same period last year	223,893.84
Mission deficit Sept. 30, 1928	116,138.58
Mission deficit Aug. 31, 1928	104,415.18
Increase in deficit for September, 1928	11,723.40

September Receipts. Contributions were received during September by funds as follows:

	Receipts	Total Rec'd Since March 1, 1928
World-Wide Missions	$7,972.95	$39,407.60
Aid Societies' Mission Fund	7.29	3,640.59
Home missions	200.13	917.21
Greene Co., Va., Mission	79.26	296.97
Foreign missions	133.33	1,737.16
Junior League—1928	46.15	503.39
B. Y. P. D.—1928	176.78	1,352.92
Home Missions Share Plan	25.00	360.00
India Mission	284.08	1,620.97
India Boarding School	46.25	519.83
India Share Plan	188.25	2,392.44
Anklesvar Churchhouse	300.00	800.00
India missionary supports	1,237.92	13,196.15
China Mission	12.25	1,058.61
China Missionary supports	840.17	9,308.47
Africa Missionary supports	705.31	5,634.01
Africa Mission	186.83	3,210.78
Africa Share Plan	54.72	554.72
Near East Relief	16.00	350.78
General relief	1.00	2.00
China Famine relief	66.73	395.94
Conference budget	867.07	54,388.32

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greater piece of missionary work. However, we are very grateful for our own group of healthy, happy workers and children, aside from the common ailments of any home—bumps, scratches, and bruises. One boy suffered a fractured arm while cranking the truck.

The sewing class, under the supervision of Miss Finckh, has done some very splendid work this summer in turning over a large number of finished articles to the clothing bureau. Each little girl made for herself a school dress. Just now a project is on for the piecing of quilt and comfort tops. Quite a few have been made already. For awhile we concentrated on rug making. Twenty-two rugs were made. Materials for plain sewing and quilt pieces always find a ready place in our sewing room. We wish to thank again all those who remember us and supply us with the same.

The girls have been much concerned to know who purchased our name quilt at the La Verne Conference. Our little girls, some of them only six years old, worked their own names. It was interesting to see how determined and how perseveringly they worked until they could do it.

It sometimes becomes a strenuous task on our part to plan and keep sixty or more boys and girls occupied. The walnut harvest is now on. The little boys have been given the job of helping to gather and hull them so that the kernels will dry and be ready for the early market. The boys got their hands so stained and black from the hulls, their feet and some of their faces got the stains. Mrs. Hersch laughed at them and told them that she liked their little black selves, and how she had expected to be handling little black hands in Africa, so now she could feel as if they were in Africa. It pleased the boys very much and they said, " But we are glad you did not go to Africa."

Walnuts are the money crop of many of our mountain friends. One family near us markets several hundred pounds each season, receiving fifty to seventy-five cents per pound.

The school has decided to put out its first regular publication known as the " Mountain Builders." Bro. Hersch will have charge of the same and it will be published quarterly. We hope to have it ready for the October issue.

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AMERICA

Church of the Brethren Industrial School, Geer, Va.

Bollinger, Amsey, and Florence, 1922
Finckh, Elsie, 1925
Hersch, Orville, and Mabel, 1925
Knight, Henry, March, Va., 1928
Sherman, Russel and Marie, 1928
Wampler, Nelie, 1922

In Pastoral Service

Bowman, Price, and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
Eby, E. H., and Emma, 3503 St. Joseph Ave., St. Joseph, Mo., 1927
Fahnestock, Rev., and Mrs. S. G., 1105 Haight Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
Haney, R. A., and Irva, Lonaconing, Md., 1925
Rohrer, Ferdie, and Pearl, Jefferson, N. C., 1927
White, Ralph, and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923
Barr, Francis and Cora, Albany, Ore., 1928

In Evangelistic Service

Smith, Rev., and Mrs. S. Z., Sidney, Ohio

SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö, Sweden

Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

Liao Chow, Shansi, China

Hutchison, Anna, 1911
Oberholtzer, I. E., and Elizabeth, 1916
Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
Senger, Nettie M., 1916
Shock, Laura J., 1916

Ping Ting Chow, Shansi, China

Bright, J. Homer, and Minnie, 1911
Crumpacker, F. H., 1908
Flory, Byron M., and Nora, 1917
Flory, Edna R., 1917
Horning, Emma, 1908
Metzger, Minerva, 1910
Schaeffer, Mary, 1917
Wampler, Ernest M., 1918, and Elizabeth, 1922

Show Yang, Shansi, China

Heisey, Walter J., and Sue, 1917
Neher, Minneva J., 1924
Ulery, Ruth F., 1926

On Furlough

*Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, 321 S. 3d, Covina, Calif., 1924
*Clapper, V. Grace, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1917
Cline, Mary E., 832 Cumberland St., Bristol, Va., 1920
Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921, % Gen. Miss. Board
*Cripe, Winnie, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill.
Crumpacker, Anna, McPherson, Kans., 1908
Horning, Dr. D. L., and Martha, 1919, Elgin, Ill.
*Ikenberry, E. L., and Olivia, 36 Lincoln St., New Haven, Conn.
*Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater, Va., 1919
Seese, Norman A., and Anna, Daleville, Va., 1917
*Smith, W. Harlan, and Frances, 2624 E St., La Verne, Calif., 1920
Sollenberger, O. C., and Hazel, % J. W. Coppock, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, 1919
*Wampler, Dr. Fred J., and Rebecca, Medical College of Va., Richmond, Va., 1913
Wampler, Ernest M., and Elizabeth, Rocky Ford, Colo., 1922

AFRICA

Gardemna, via Jos and Damaturu, Nigeria, West Africa.

Flohr, Earl W., and Ella, 1926

Garkida, Nigeria, West Africa, via Jos

Beahm, Wm. M., and Esther, 1924
Gibbel, Dr. J. Paul, and Verda, 1926
Harper, Clara, 1926
Heckman, Clarence C., and Lucile, 1924
Helser, Albert D., 1922, and Lola, 1923
Robertson, Dr. Russell L., and Bertha C., 1927
Shisler, Sara, 1926

Dille, via Jos and Maiduguri, Nigeria, West Africa

Burke, Dr. Homer L., and Marguerite, 1923
Kulp, H. Stover, 1922, and Christina, 1927

On Furlough

*Mallott, Floyd, and Ruth, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill.

INDIA

Ahwa, Dangs, Surat Dist., India

Butterbaugh, A. G., and Bertha, 1919
Garner, H. P., and Kathryn, 1916

Anklesvar, Broach Dist., India

Grisso Lillian, 1917
Long, I. S., and Effie, 1903
Miller, Sadie J., 1903
Moomaw, I. W., and Mabel, 1923
Woods, Beulah, 1924

Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

Cottrell, Dr. A. R., and Laura, 1913
Mohler, Jennie, 1916
Shumaker, Ida C., 1910

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

Blickenstaff, Verna M., 1919
Ebbert, Ella, 1917
Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
Nickey, Dr. Barbara M. 1915
Roop, Ethel, 1926
Swartz, Goldie E., 1916

Jalalpor, Surat Dist., India

Miller, Eliza B., 1900

Vada, Thana Dist., India

Brumbaugh, Anna B., 1919
Ebey, Adam, and Alice, 1900
Kaylor, John I., 1911, and Ina, 1921

Palghar, Thana Dist., India

Alley, Howard L., and Hattie, 1917

Post Umalla, via Anklesvar, India

Miller, Arthur S. B., and Jennie, 1919
Wolf, L. Mae, 1922
Ziegler, Kathryn, 1908

Vyara, via Surat, India

Brooks, Harlan J., and Ruth, 1924
Mow, Anetta, 1917

Burjor Bag, Lunsikui, Navsari, India

Mow, Baxter M., and Anna, 1923

Woodstock School, Landour Mussoorie, U. P., India

Stoner, Susan L., 1927

On Furlough

Blickenstaff, Lynn A., and Mary, 2546 Third Ave., La Verne, Calif., 1920
Blough, J. M., and Anna, 18 Denison St., Hartford, Conn., 1903
*Kintner, Elizabeth, Wenatchee, Wash., 1919
Lichty, D. J., 1902, and Anna, 1912, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill.
Royer, B. Mary, Richland, Pa., 1913
Shickel, Elsie N., 2211 Orange Ave. N. W., Roanoke, Va., 1921
Shull, Chalmer, and Mary, Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Ill., 1919
*Wagoner, J. E., and Ellen, Peebles, O., 1919
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Editorial

CHINA'S POLITICAL SITUATION

Now that America's presidential election is over, the progressing political situation in China will be of much interest to world-minded Christians in America.

China is one of the oldest nations, with a history and civilization that go farther back on the other side of the birth of Christ than we have progressed on this side. From 1644 to 1911 the Manchu dynasty held sway. Important events in this period were the opium trade war waged by England, the forcing open of ports for trade to western nations; the establishment of treaties manifestly unfair to China, the treaty guaranteeing other nations extraterritoriality rights, and the treaty of Peking of 1861, guaranteeing western nations the right to preach Christianity. All these led up to the terrible Boxer uprising of 1900. At this time thousands of people were killed, hundreds of them being foreigners, including missionaries. One fairly bright spot in America's part in the aftermath of this event was the returning of China's indemnity in the form of scholarships to Chinese students taking work in American universities.

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In 1911 the Chinese republic was founded, with Sun Yat Sen as its first president. As the military power was not in his control he was soon succeeded by Yuan Shih Kai, an imperialistic-minded man in whose hands the democratic principles of government did not succeed. From 1911 to 1928 it seems Chi-

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na has been in turmoil, with rival war factions seeking to gain control, and during all of this time China's millions have been suffering and missionary work has been disturbed. Much anti-foreign feeling developed. Finally, in 1928, the Nationalist movement overthrew Chang Tso Lin, the northern war lord.

Prior to this year Russia exerted quite an influence in China. She proffered a greater friendship than was apparent from other nations. Much communistic propaganda was spread throughout the land, but the true leaders of China realized in time that the communistic ideals were not such as should be embodied in the new China, and so Russian influence has been suppressed.

The leader of the Nationalist movement, Chiang Kai Chek, has become the new president. Other leaders are C. T. Wang, minister of foreign affairs; T. V. Soong, minister of finance; H. H. Kung, minister of commerce and labor; and General Feng, minister of the army. Three of the five are graduates of American colleges. Only one of these is not a professed Christian. The new government starts out with the encouragement of the United States, Secretary Kellogg having announced that the new tariff treaty, signed on July 25, was a virtual recognition of the new regime. This treaty agreed that China should control her own tariffs, as far as the United States is concerned, provided the tariffs are non-discriminatory. China has not enjoyed tariff autonomy for about eighty-five years, because of treaties made with foreign powers. Now she needs higher tariffs to supply her empty treasury and to protect her struggling modern industries—especially the textile industry.

In the October Missionary Visitor appeared twelve rules of conduct for the nation, drawn up by the ministry of the interior. All these look towards building a better China.

In 1911, when the republic was founded, hopes for a great nation were higher than the progress of the Chinese would permit. An overwhelming majority of the people cannot read or write. It is hard for the country to make a hurried change. We do not now want to be deluded by an excessive optimism. However, we cannot help but feel that China's position at present is more hopeful than in any past period, and we believe that missionaries have a great part in helping to build the essential spiritual and moral life of a great nation.

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The Holy Spirit's Work at Bhat

B. M. MOW

Note. Rereading Bro. Mow's article in the September Visitor will make this message more meaningful.

THIS article is largely a translation of the words of Bro. Dámodar Pochabhai, who was the principal agent of the Holy Spirit in His profound work in that village by the sea. Our mission schools had been established in Bhat and other villages near by among the fishermen over twenty-five years ago. More or less opposition has been met on repeated occasions, but this one school lasted, though masters came and went. No conversions had been made before Dámodar was placed there, in January, 1921. Earlier he had committed follies, but he came to know the power of the Savior to cleanse and save, and since then he has shown an unusual reliance on that Power and on prayer. He threw in his life wholeheartedly with the fishers, whose habits were so different and whose souls so dark.

Up to date twenty-four people at Bhat have received baptism through his consecrated efforts—half of them prior to 1927, and all men or boys. But in 1927 three women and a girl were baptized, which caused an outbreak of persecution. The union council of seven fisher villages demanded that the Bhat panch (authorities) stop this Christian religion and school which were beginning to take families. Otherwise the whole village would be put out of caste—the direst calamity that can befall a Hindu. Somehow the matter was smoothed over. But soon the Arya Samajis, our aggressive and nationally organized enemies, saw their chance here, so they began inciting trouble, and last May and June they pushed the authorities to take the cruel steps related in the September Visitor. They succeeded in crushing or scaring away from us some six or eight Christians, temporarily at least.

LALLU POONA AND DAMODAR, cronies with hearts that beat as one. Both are teachers in the Bhat school, but Lallu is now away at training school. Damodar is staying by his guns.

I am not aware that these bits of biography have been published, but they deserve to be, and I am only sorry that they must be told so briefly. It was with considerable difficulty, also, that I got this much from Dámodar. He says:

Biographical Sketches as Related by the Indian Worker, Dámodar

"**Lallu Poona** had finished the fifth and last standard in the school before I came, in 1921, and quit, of course. His father and others asked if I would teach sixth. I said yes, with one purpose—that whereas the rest of the children were quite small and unable to comprehend Christ, Lallu and the two other boys who were to study further were older, and if they were convinced, they would be able to confess Jesus openly. So these boys began coming to the school, and would also sit at my house afterwards for private study. At both places I talked about the Lord Jesus in such a way that all the children gave close attention, and especially

Lallu. Before I ever rose to speak I took care that my own heart was full of a message concerning our Lord, and then, indeed, there was no doubt that those who heard would take interest. Pancha Prema in time revealed his willingness to become Christian (but we will omit his story now).

"One day, in my curiosity to know how far Lallu had now progressed, I asked him, 'Lallu, why do the village people not become Christian?' He replied, 'Who might ever become Christian? I couldn't. As to any fisherman ever becoming Christian, you might as well forget it, now and for good!' From this I was assured that the apple is green yet—it will be quite a while before this brother takes Christ. Yet the Spirit of God knows what is taking place in secret and in the school. So I put renewed energy in Scripture reading, prayer, and public proclamation of the good news of Christ. One day I was talking with him about my only joy in my Savior, when he suddenly exclaimed, 'Well, come what may, I am ready now to accept the Lord Jesus.' I was so overjoyed at this confession that I fell to my knees then and there and praised the Lord. He was soon baptized, with Pancha. For seven years he has been walking with the Lord. Today he is a man of 25, but I put far more reliance on him than is possible on any older man. He is very dear to me. If anyone in the future is to do really good evangelistic work among the fisher folk it is he. I know Lallu as no one else does, and he knows me as but few others do; such an intimate relationship has God brought about between us.

"After Lallu's conversion he continued his habit of tarrying at my house till late at night. Because of this his father, Poona, said to the folks, 'What has the master given my boy to smell, that has caused him to prefer the master's company to ours?' Lallu and I kept praying the Lord to show Poonabhai the way of salvation. One day I was relating to them the story of Samuel's vision, when Moti, the old

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"NOAH" POONABHAI AND SOME OF HIS FAMILY, who are weathering the flood of persecution at Bhat. He and his wife, Moti, are seated. He has three sons living, and one deceased, whose widow is standing at right. Beside her is Lallu's wife, Luxmi. These two daughters-in-law had received baptism a few minutes before, making almost the entire family Christian.

BUDDHA AT LEFT, with wife, Devi, behind, and four children. A fifth, Biju, is in Jalalpor Mission School for Girls. Sukar, at right, with Dhani and two children. With life made impossible at Bhat, they fled, and are putting their time of exile to good use by studying scripture in Bulsar Bible School.

Leprosy: a Curable Disease

H. L. BURKE, M. D.

Do you know that at last leprosy is a curable disease? Just as many another of the dread maladies that afflict mankind has yielded to the researches of modern medicine, so leprosy, perhaps the most terrible and the most historic of chronic diseases, also is being cured. So bright are the prospects it is declared that in five years the number of cases will have diminished enormously and that in ten years it will be almost extinct. So you see there is great reason for joy in the hearts of medical mission workers, because now they can go to the vast host of folks suffering with leprosy with the message that their disease can be cured.

For a number of years scientists have been working on the subject. Numerous remedies have been tried and some with a measure of success. After years of investigation it has been found that chaulmoogra oil or its derivatives is most effective in the treatment of leprosy. The objection has been that the oil, taken by mouth, is very irritating to the gastro-intestinal tract. While on the other hand the derivatives of the oil were very expensive. But recently Sir Leonard Rogers, honorary secretary of the British Empire Relief Association, and perhaps the greatest living leprologist, has produced a derivative of chaulmoogra oil which is neither irritating nor expensive. The fact is, it is estimated that a patient may be treated a whole year for sixty cents. Popularly it is known as "alepol," and chemically it is a sodium salt of selected portions of the fatty acids of chaulmoogra oil.

The British Empire Leprosy Relief Association is an organization that is sending gratis to the medical missionaries of the British colonies drugs for the treatment of leprosy. Only recently they have asked the Africa Mission to participate in ridding this section of the country of leprosy.

I do not think that in this section of Nigeria, occupied by the Africa mission, one finds such severe manifestations of the disease as are described in other parts of the world, but still there are quite a number afflicted with the disease, whose only outlook on life is to sit around nursing their sores and begging a little food wherever obtainable, until they die. I have estimated that in this section of Nigeria from two to three per cent of the people have leprosy. You should see the light of hope that comes into the eyes of some of these unfortunate ones when we tell them that the medicine that will cure their disease has arrived in their town.

TWO LEPER PATIENTS that are obtaining treatment at Lassa. Note the mother with the little baby. It is over a year old, but as yet has no signs of the disease. But in a few years it is likely it also will be afflicted, unless the mother is cured now.

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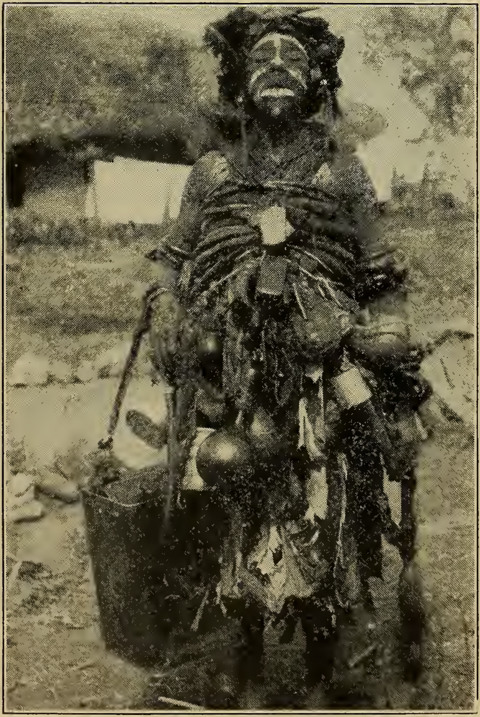
"If this generation fails to devise means for preventing war, it will deserve the disaster which surely will be visited upon it. Later generations will not be likely to act if we fail."—Calvin Coolidge, President of the United States.

Christ or the Witch Doctor?

ALBERT D. HELSER

HERE IS JESUS CHRIST. In his face is love and in his hand is the power to save. In his mouth is the promise of the ages, "Follow me and I will take you to the Father." On his body and on his head are the stripes that he received in our stead. And in his bosom that great heart yearns to bring the despised and the forsaken into the presence of God.



HERE IS THE WITCH DOCTOR. The "fly-chaser" in his left hand makes a useful tail when he changes into a wild beast. The cow teeth cause the saliva to flow as froth from his foul mouth. His body and head are literally bound in charms and medicines, and the roars and the bellows from his heaving chest are enough to make a saint shudder.

THIS "gentleman" and his fellow witch doctors and medicine men have had an uncontested field in North Central Africa. As Christ must have human hands and feet and the human voice to carry forward his work, so the devil must have human agencies to carry out his cursed designs. Christ and the devil are spirits, and every human being, black or white, is under the sway and control of either one or the other.

Mohammedanism has not interfered with the medicine man's business. Rather, the Mohammedans in our part have been his most profitable customers.

By the use of hideous noises and strange smells and cuts and burns and stabs and ablutions and pilgrimages the devil speaks

DECEMBER 25 is not Christmas for millions of people of this earth. They never knew Christ. His saving power and way of life mean little to them. Their lives are impoverished for want of fellowship with him.

We Brethren will enjoy the celebration of Christ's birth because we have him. Eternal life, fellowship with Christ, the high value of each individual, right ways of living, concern for one another, brotherhood of all men, and the gift of LOVE are enjoyed by us at this Christmas time.

Gifts will be given. Let us not forget Christ. He should head the list. A contribution to missions will make Christ available in many lives now without him.

Therefore the General Mission Board calls on all the members of the church through the Sunday-school or church to contribute a generous offering for World-Wide Missions. Let the gift be given freely, out of a love for God and man and with prayer that it may accomplish God's will.

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through his agents in no uncertain tones. These are the "gentlemen" who whip the devil's army into line and march it forward to an awful death. "Fear me and obey me" is his daily command to our black brothers and sisters.

Here and there another voice is beginning to be heard, and its insistent word is "Love me and obey me, for I am God your Father and Christ your Savior." Daily the Gospel is being preached to the poor, the suffering and dying are being restored, and the bewildered are being taught. Love is in action and she is quietly but surely winning her way. Within the past six months seventy-eight fathers and mothers and young men and young women have fled from the darkness of fear to the light of love. Rejoice, and again I say, Rejoice, for the King of Heaven is mighty to save!

Christ or the witch doctor? Christ is sure to be the Victor. But what concerns me is this, will the multitudes of black men and women committed to the Church of the Brethren be with him in his victory on that great day?

J. K. Miller, New Mission Board Member

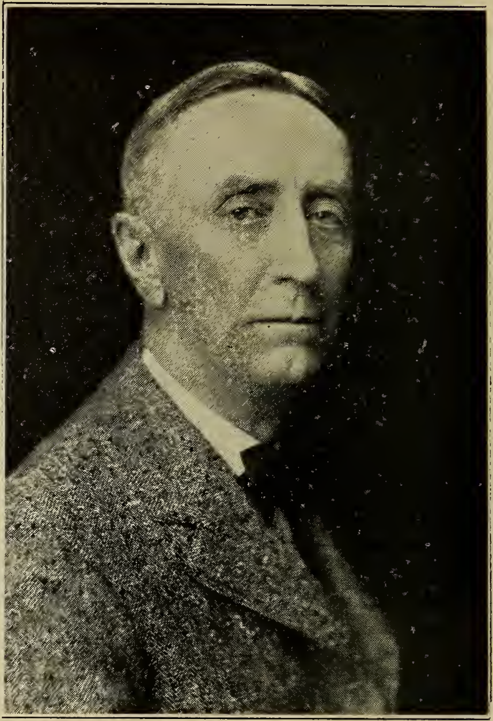
J. E. MILLER

FIRST let me say he is no kin of mine, nor of the late D. L. Miller, though he and I have been close friends for some years and frequently bunk together at Annual Conference. Having learned to know him I have come to love him; you will do the same, if you ever know him.

Jacob Kurtz Miller, for such is his full name, was born near Clearspring, Md., Aug. 8, 1863; lost his father at nine and was away from the influence of his mother at fourteen; married Ida Blubaugh of Robins, Iowa, at twenty-two, and both he and his wife were baptized by M. M. Sherrick eleven years later. He is the father of two sons and one daughter, and has six grandchildren. All of which means that he believes in the Christian family as the mainstay of the church and the nation.

His father, Eld. David Miller, was of Scotch-English descent, and was the first of his line to become a member of the Church of the Brethren. It was he who baptized D. L. Miller. The mother of our J. K. had been Catherine Kurtz before her marriage. That's where he gets his middle name.

His parents were in limited financial circumstances. In 1867 they came west and settled on a farm near Polo, Ill. His father was an active minister until his death, which occurred in 1873. The settlement of the estate left very little for the family, and the mother with her five little children made out as best she could. Five years later she again married and settled near Robins, Iowa. J. K., however, continued to reside with his sister at Polo until 1881, and on his eighteenth birthday he secured employment with McCarthy & Schneidel, a dry goods firm of Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Thus he and Herbert Hoover grew up near each other, though they probably never met as boys. But back to the new clerk. His salary was $6 a week, which was augmented a bit with the privilege of sleeping in the store. But being accustomed to short money rations this did not discourage him. Evidently he made good in the store, for he this year completed his forty-seventh year of continuous service with this one firm, now known as the Martin Dry Goods Co., the big store of Cedar


J. K. MILLER

L. C. MOOMAW, ROANOKE, VA., *is the other of the two new laymen elected at the La Verne Conference to membership on the General Mission Board. A particular brand of Virginian modesty has prevented the Visitor from securing a picture or biography of Brother Moomaw. We do know and can say that Brother Moomaw has proven his worthiness by years of faithful and generous service in the church.*

He labors in the First District of Virginia as one of its most interested members. The Bridgewater-Daleville system enjoys his optimistic outlook on Christian enterprises. Mrs. Moomaw shares his desire to see the message of "Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men" heralded throughout the world. She is now a member of the Board of Directors of the Church of the Brethren Industrial School, Greene County, Virginia.

Rapids. Of this firm J. K. is secretary and part owner. I might say that when he was married he was receiving just $12 a week. He has always made it a point not to worry about his pay, but to see to it that he does his best for his employer and his patrons.

He is a firm believer in the Bible teaching that God will take care of his own who trust and obey him, and that God will prosper those who honor him with their substance and worship. He believes that the tithe is the least that a Christian should give, and has long since ceased being satisfied with that amount. He holds that when the good Lord has prospered a family the money should not all go to the children and other heirs, but that the church and the Lord should be remembered in the will—and better still, that the family should set aside a part of the estate for the benefit of the Lord's cause while the testators live.

He is interested in home and foreign missions. Practically all of our missionaries and their children on the foreign field know personally of his deep interest. The little Church of the Brethren of Cedar Rapids, largely through his efforts, has supported Emma Horning from the beginning of her service twenty years ago.

He has the greatest regard for those who leave their home and go to labor in the mission field. He further believes that the churches at home are ignorant of the blessing that would come to them should they show the same zeal for the Master's cause as do the missionaries. Should they know their opportunity we would have a surplus rather than a deficit at present.

J. K. is a strong supporter of Christian education. Our own schools as well as others have benefited by his generosity. He believes that our schools can and do render a great service to the church and the nation. In his estimation the church college has a distinct field and a distinct service which can be rendered by no others. He has been inter-

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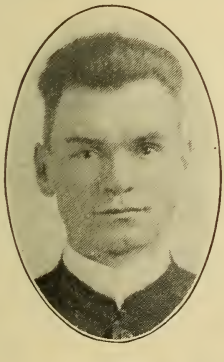
DEATH CLAIMS ANDREW G. BUTTERBAUGH

A cable arrived at the mission rooms with the sad news that Andrew G. Butterbaugh died Thursday, Oct. 25, at midnight. His death was caused by blood poisoning.



Bro. Butterbaugh and his wife, Bertha L. (Lehman) Butterbaugh, first went to India in January, 1920. They were in America on furlough in 1926-7. Six children were born to them, namely Beryl, Vila, Ione, Wilma, Darlene, and Gladden. In 1924 death claimed Beryl.

Bro. Butterbaugh was a liberal arts graduate of Mt. Morris College and a student of Bethany Bible School. His work on the field was largely of an evangelistic and industrial nature. His fellow missionaries testify to his sterling qualities and mourn his death as a great loss to the field.

A cable dated Nov. 9 states that Sister Butterbaugh and children, in company with Mae Wolf, will be returning from India next March.

Waterway Travel in Congoland

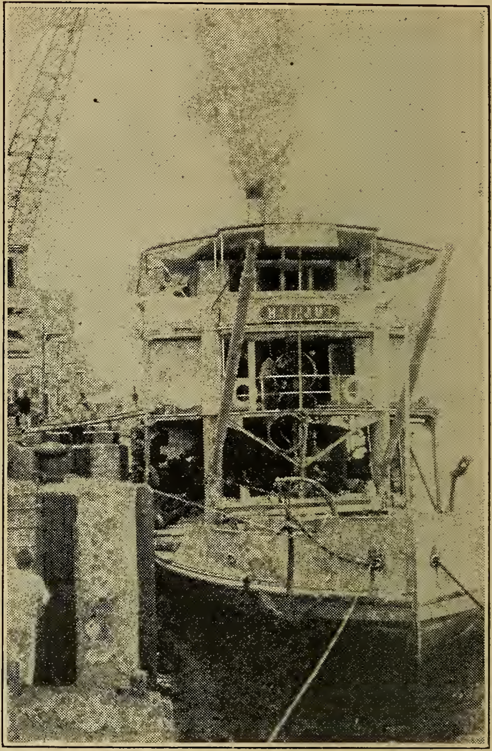
J. B. EMMERT

OUR Lord, while on earth, traveled afoot almost exclusively. Paul and his companions used also the ships of commerce in their far extended travels. Since their day the heralds of the cross have pressed into service every known means of transportation in their efforts to make known the glad story of grace and of redemption.

In the Congoland the broad and far-reaching waterways lend themselves admirably to the needs of the missionary as he penetrates farther and farther into the interior. From the earliest days of missionary activity in Congoland, river boats were recognized as a necessity. Ocean steamers ascend the river about eighty miles to Matadi. A series of rapids and falls prevents navigation, even by small craft, of the next hundred and fifty miles. From Stanley Pool the Congo and its three chief arms with their innumerable tributaries furnish thousands of miles of navigable waterways.

Missionaries were among the first to sense the importance of this natural highway, and as early as 1881 plans were matured for securing a boat. Mr. George Grenfell, a missionary of the Baptist Missionary Society, was sent to England to supervise the construction of a steamboat suited to the needs and conditions of the Congo River. It was put together with copper rivets, and when completed was tested in the Thames, causing great enthusiasm in missionary circles in London. It was taken to pieces again and done up in parcels weighing not more than sixty-five pounds each, this being the weight usually carried by African porters. Only three parcels exceeded that weight. In those days there was no railway from Matadi to Kinshasa, as there now is, and all materials had to be transported on the heads of men. In the short period of four months Mr. Grenfell succeeded in transporting the whole outfit from Matadi to Kinshasa on Stanley Pool.

Mr. Doke, who was to put the boat together, died within three months after landing. Two other engineers came out from England to do the work and fell victims of diseases before they could begin their task. Those were days when only brave hearts could continue to go forward. One day, as if from the unseen world, a voice seemed to say to Mr. Grenfell, "Build it yourself." He tried to argue away the idea as impossible to a man trained in theology and not in mechanics. The need was facing them. There was no other solution of the difficulty apparent. He finally undertook the task and in a marvelous way was helped over difficulty after difficulty until at last on the thirteenth of June, 1884, the "Peace" slipped down the ways and found her place in the coffee-colored water of the great Congo. A son of Africa shouted, "Master, she lives," and the three missionaries who saw the launching thought he had spoken well. The "Peace," with Mr. Grenfell as her captain, made many missionary tours and for



THE HAINAUT on which our party made their tour of 400 miles up the Congo.

more than twenty years played well her part in the work of the kingdom.

The "Peace" served her purpose so well that other and larger boats were later put on the river and carried missionaries and provisions far into the interior. Without them it would have been next to impossible to go far inland. In more recent years commercial companies have their boats plying these waterways, and missions, as a rule, find it more convenient and economical to use them rather than to maintain their own. Though the ownership and management of the boats have changed, missionaries still use the waterways in carrying on their work. A study of the map reveals the fact that mission stations are located throughout the vast basin of the Congo on or within easy access to these watercourses. The members of the deputation sent out to visit our mission in Africa had the privilege of taking a few days' tour on the "Hainaut," one of the river boats. The twenty-one passengers were all missionaries or board representatives who had attended the West Africa Mission Conference. Associations were most pleasant; the scenery was interesting to those who were making their first visit; the weather was all that could be desired; and the food and sleeping accommodations, while not up to the standard of ocean-going vessels, were quite satisfactory. Many stops were made for cargo or passengers and to replenish the woodpile. Wood is used as fuel, and one is amazed at the great amount that is consumed. Mission stations were visited and opportunity afforded for careful investigation of means and methods used and of results obtained.

River travel is convenient and comfortable, but slow and very tedious. Owing to dangers incident to night travel, in most places, navigation is possible only during daylight. Many missionaries must spend three and even four weeks going to or from their stations. This seems to be a dreadful waste of time, but it is the speediest and most satisfactory method of travel available in the places where it is used. One cannot but admire the dauntless spirit of the men and women who make the best of conditions as they find them, and go on bringing the message of salvation to men in the remotest parts of the earth.

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S WORK AT BHAT

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mother, said, 'That time has passed, and those people are gone. Nothing like that happens these days.' I replied that 'God is the same then and now, and he is calling **you** to his service; we pray that you may hear his voice.' Later, on July 25, 1923, Poonaji was lying dozing on his verandah about noon, and all the rest of the folks of the house were resting, except one woman, when he heard the words, 'Poona, rise, follow me!' With this the heavy door of the house was thrown open, and Poona, at once waking, looked to see who had opened the door and called him. But no one was in sight, so he ran round the house to see if some one was hidden. He asked the woman inside about it and she replied that nobody had called him, and that she had heard no knocking at the door. Again he looked around, but saw nobody, so he fell into greater perplexity. He called for me, and I went at once. When I had heard the event I said 'I am sure that the Lord Jesus was calling you, as he did Samuel, so that you may receive from him deliverance from all sin. This call is not from man but from God. Now if, after getting a call from heaven, you do not arise, what kind of a call **will** you obey?' He got ready soon for baptism. In the water the preacher asked him, 'Will you forsake all the evil ways of the world?' He replied, 'I have already given them up.' From that day till now Poonabhai has forsaken his toddy, liquor, cigarettes, lies, and such like things, and been a strong man. The truth has made him free."

(A few weeks later his two older sons, Uka and Bhikha, also took baptism, so the house became essentially Christian, for all lived under the one roof. Lallu helped teach in the school, such time as he was not away getting advanced training. But father and other two sons were tolerated by their fellow-fishers, so they continued their trade until this year they were ordered to renounce the name of Christ on pain of absolute starvation and boycott. They chose to remain the Way. So their ship and nets must lie idle. Two sons found some employment at Broach. With this and aid by the brethren they manage to eke out an existence. But they would not quit their home, and they are likened to Noah. The mother and two daughters-in-law followed in baptism.)

Two other accounts from Dámodar:

"Sukar had been a special friend of mine for a year, from my arrival, and was at my house a great deal. It became a saying, that if you want to find Sukar, go to the master's place. After many conversations I asked him one time, 'Sukar, which do you choose—heaven or hell, Jesus or Satan?' Said he, 'Who closing his eyes tight would become a Christian? In this village there are many intelligent men besides myself. They do not accept Christ, and it could not be that I do so.' He went. And I, all discouraged, prayed thus, 'O Lord, I am striving to build up thy glory. I forego my eating and sleeping hours, and have abandoned other fair prospects to attach myself to thy work. But thou hast not helped me,' and I wept much. Next day, in school, among the texts I was writing on the board was this one (John 9: 35): 'Dost thou believe on the Son of God?' While I was writing this, Sukar came in. I inquired, 'Is the Lord Jesus asking you this question today?' He said, 'Give me a slate and I'll write my answer.' He wrote, 'Yes, Lord, I believe. Signed, Sukar Chipka.' His letters were not at all beautiful, but their content brought me untold joy. We knelt to render thanks on the spot. Later he had a dream, as a result of which he took courage to receive baptism, in June, 1922. His wife, Dhani, followed five years later. Sukar proceeded to improve his rough mind by study, and did assist in the school and study Scripture during one season when he might have been out fishing. It has already been told how he was crushed down last June. But presently the Lord gave him strength to rise again, and he was regained to us. He escaped from or was thrust out by his relatives, and is now happy in his Lord and in Bible study at Bulsar.

"The conversion of **Bro. Buddha** took place specially on June 14, 15, 1926. During those days there was a great burden on my heart, and I had extra power in witnessing. From my first conversation with the man his interest had drawn me into closer contact. Step by step the Spirit had led him on toward baptism, as though by graded lessons. Finally, in the story of Philip and the eunuch, I was showing that Philip did not close in this fashion, 'Well, your honor, now after hearing all this what is your pleasure? If you like, shall I now proceed to administer baptism?' But through the Spirit's urge the eunuch asked for it instead, and thus is manifest the hunger of the one getting salvation. While I was saying thus, Buddha said, 'Let us go out for a walk.' So we went, and Sukar with us. On the way he confessed, 'Master, I am ready to receive the Lord Jesus today.' Again our hearts were bursting with praise to God. He was baptized at once. Liquor was a special bugbear to this brother, but from that hour he was freed from its hold. Presently his wife, Devi, decided that she should accompany her husband. She began to learn religious matters, to dress in clean clothes, and to come to Sunday worship. She and her daughter, Biju, were baptized with Dhani, and one more family was gained for the Lord. In the great persecution of 1928 there was a determined attack made upon this pair, but he who had called them was also faithful in holding them firm. When they forfeited the 'right' to stay in his father's house, a way was opened for them at Bulsar, to put whole time to the study of the Word they love."

Navsari, India.

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When the Star Shone

A Christmas Story to be told by a reader and played by the children

(Enter Reader)

Reader: There was once a beautiful cluster of Christmas trees. Above them hung a great star. The children gathered around the trees (enter children who gather around the trees and look up expectantly), and waited for the light of the Star and the shining of the trees, but the Star did not shine and the trees were dark.

Child: What is the matter, that the Star does not shine and the trees are dark?

Reader: I can not tell. We will call the Spirit of Christmas. (Enter girl dressed in white robe. She may be called by four trumpeters with gilded trumpets, or may enter without call.)

Child: Can you tell us why the Christmas Star does not shine and why the trees are dark?

Spirit of Christmas: Many years ago, when the Christmas angel came to earth, there shone a great light as he said to the shepherds, "Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to ALL the people." Where are the rest of the children? There are only a few here. The shining of the Christmas Star and the glistening of the Christmas trees are for ALL.

Reader: Then the children went out (exit children) to bring the other children they knew, that they might see the Star shine and the trees glisten with light. They brought the children they knew and loved the most. (Reënter children, leading other children by the hand. They point to the trees and to the Star. All look up expectantly.) Now the Christmas Star would shine and the trees glisten with light! But the Star did not shine and the trees were dark.

Child to Spirit of Christmas: We have brought all the children. Can you tell us why the Star does not shine and the trees do not glisten with light?

Spirit of Christmas: Many years ago, when the Christmas angel came to earth, there shone a great light as he said to the shepherds: "Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to ALL the people." Where are the rest of the children? There are only a few here. The shining of the Christmas Star and the glistening of the Christmas trees are for ALL.

Reader: Then the children looked at each other and tried to think where they could find other children.

Child: I know some little children who make flowers for hats. I had not thought of them. I will bring them. (Runs out.)

2nd Child: I know some boys who work in the coal mines. I thought they had to work all day, so I did not ask them to come. (Runs out.)

3rd Child: I know some little girls who could not come because they must take care of their baby brothers and sisters all day while their mothers work. May I bring them? (Spirit of Christmas waves assent and child runs out.)

4th Child: I know some children who work in factories, but their clothes are patched. May they come, too? (Spirit of Christmas waves assent and child runs out.)

Reader: So the children went out to bring the other children they knew who had not been invited to see the Christmas trees. They hunted on the streets, and in factories and shops. They went into mines and mills and searched many dark rooms. Then they ran gaily back, leading the other children they had found. (Enter children leading children in overalls and patched clothing. Some carry papers, others artificial flowers, and sewing; some have smutty faces; some carry smaller children.) Eagerly they looked up at the cluster of Christmas trees and at the Star, but the Star did not shine and the trees were dark.

Child: We have brought all the children we could find. Can you tell us why the Christmas Star does not shine and why the trees are dark?

Spirit of Christmas: Many years ago when the Christmas angel came to earth there shone a great light as he said to the shepherds: "Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to ALL the people." Where are the rest of the children? There are only a few here. The shining of the Christmas Star and the glistening of the Christmas trees are for ALL.

Reader: Then the children tried to think where any other children could be. They thought they had invited all the children they knew.

Child: I know some children who are lame. I did not think of inviting them. (Runs out.)

Child: I know some blind children. I could lead them by the hand. (Runs out.)

Child: I know some children who are sick. I will bring them. (All run out.)

Reader: Then all the children went out to bring more children. They hunted in hospitals and homes until they found many dear children who were blind or lame or sick, and who could not come by themselves. As they led them in (enter children wheeling child in invalid's chair, leading others, and helping boy on crutches), they look eagerly at the trees and at the Star. Now surely the Christmas Star would shine and the trees glisten with light! But the Star did not shine and the trees were dark.

Child: We have brought all the children who are sick and those who could not come by themselves. Why does the Star not shine and why are the trees still dark?

Spirit of Christmas: Many years ago, when the Christmas angel came to earth there shone a great light as he said to the shepherds: "Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to all the people. Where are the rest of the children? There are only a few here. The shining of the Christmas Star and the glistening of the Christmas trees are for ALL. (Children look at each other with puzzled expression.)

Child: The only other children I know are not like us. They live in our country, but their faces are red and some are yellow and some are brown and others black.

Other children: I know some Japanese children. I know some Chinese children. I know some Indian children. I know some Negro children.

Together: May we bring them to see the Star and the Christmas trees?

Spirit of Christmas: The angel said that the Christmas message was for ALL the people.

Reader: So the children went to find all the children from other lands who were living in America. They looked in all the stores that had queer figures and letters on their signs. They went into homes where people spoke strange languages and they took the little children by the hand so gently and lovingly they were not afraid and they

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Notes from the Fields

INDIA

Anklesvar

Beulah Woods

In June the missionary staff of Anklesvar was shorter than it has been for years. At the girls' school were Misses Grisso and Woods, while Mr. Moomaw was alone on the other compound. The state of Mrs. Moomaw's health necessitated her staying some time longer on the hills, and the Longs had gone to Bulsar to hold the Bible School for the whole mission. Miss Eliza Miller comes every Monday noon and goes back to Jalalpor on Tuesday eve. She is a great help to the girls' schools, which are understaffed this year, until the return of Miss Sadie Miller. There was rejoicing when Mrs. Moomaw and her two lively boys returned to us.

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Everybody concerned with the Girls' School was surprised and saddened when it was learned that one of the big girls, who had been with us for eight years, was a leper. Before this was known, the disease had progressed sufficiently that she had lost the sense of feeling in her hands and feet, and some fingers were becoming paralyzed. She was one of the few who had entered the School of Practical Arts in June. She was taken to a leper asylum that is run in connection with the well-known mission hospital at Miraj. This is in Marathi territory, and this girl spoke nothing but Gujarati, so it is somewhat like exile for her until she picks up that language. We are very glad that the treatment for lepers has reached such a stage of proficiency that the disease is no longer the hopeless thing it once was. The oil injections are painful, but people are being cured in a relatively short time—from a few months to a few years, depending on their condition.

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One of last year's teachers was recently married to a Christian young man, who is a teacher in the Bulsar Mission School. These Christian homes are our future hope.

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In August we entertained an interdenominational one-day conference of all the missionaries who work in this Gujerat language area—English, Irish, and American. The various missions take turns in entertaining this yearly meeting. Various matters of mutual interest are discussed; enterprises like the language school, which are common to all are carried on; and the contacts that we have with each other are of social value and help to give us a wider view of our common task of making Christ known among these people. About sixty-five were present that day. There would have been more if it had not been for the heavy rains. The main speaker of the day was a fine Indian brother, Mr. Philip, a secretary of The National Christian Council, who was one of the Indian representatives at the Jerusalem Missionary Conference last Eastertide.

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The end of the monsoon rains is drawing near, but to judge from the way it has been pouring for three days one would imagine they were trying to make up for all the dry months that are soon to follow. The insects are very annoying in the evenings. They swarm around the light till one has to push several dozen off in order to turn a page, and finally they drive one to take refuge under the bed net, but they often get in, too.

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For awhile dysentery was quite bad around this region. A boy from a Christian family died of it and several others were quite ill.

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Recently the girls' school has been the subject of an extra strenuous anti-itch campaign. The family wash—meaning boiling or fumigating every shred of clothing possessed by 100 girls—was no small job. All the books, trunks, and trinkets were fumigated, and every girl who showed the least sign was subjected to rather drastic treatment. The writer jokingly asked another missionary whether she should write about this, and thus make the good American housewives shiver, and the reply was, "I don't know why they shouldn't know it; it is surely a part of our work."

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A few evenings ago we were invited to a neighboring village to a Mohammedan wedding. It was very interesting to us. An outsider happening in during the ceremony would never have guessed that it was a wedding, for there was no sign of a bride. She was back in the house out of sight, and was "represented" by two men who acted as her witnesses. The groom sat on a mat on the ground, and the man who performed the ceremony did more writing in a book than anything else.

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Anklesvar

I. W. Moomaw

The new Rhodes Memorial Building has been completed and in use since school opened early in June. This is a very useful addition to the Vocational School plant. One large chapel room has been set aside for Bible study and prayer. Here the boys begin their day with a Bible lesson and prayer, early each morning.

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Gospel teams made up from the Vocational School boys with several teachers go out to the surrounding villages every Sunday evening. Experience in evangelism is regarded as a valuable part of the boys' training here.

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The Boys' Coöperative Bank is now being managed by one of the arithmetic classes as a school project. This has tended to create interest both in the study of arithmetic and in the saving of money.

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One Bhagwandas Prathalal, a former teacher, is conducting a splendid Bible class each Sunday evening, in a near-by village, as a volunteer worker. This is the kind of service that we rejoice to see.

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Bro. Long has just returned from spending several days in Bombay, where he represented our mission on the Bombay Christian Council. This is a representative organization for correlating the work of the many missions in western India.

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CHINA

Shou Yang-Yu Hsien Trip

Ruth Ulrey

This is the season of the year for theatricals and other entertainments in the country sections. One of these theatricals proved an opportunity for preaching to the people. After dinner a place was found just outside the courtyard under a shade tree; the crowd being too large for the room where we had eaten. This place proved to be a good one, for people were passing by contantly. Songs were sung, and the meaning explained. Sunday-school chart pictures were used to tell some of the Bible stories. At two or three different times we had planned to stop, but some one in the crowd would ask for another song or another story. All the pictures which had been taken to this village with us were used, and we had to resort to memory in order to give more stories. Some of this crowd stayed during the entire time, which was three and a half or four hours in length. For some of these people it meant the first time they had heard this message. It may be years before some of these people will have another chance to hear the "Good News of Salvation."

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The Chinese evangelist at this place has shown much patience in teaching his wife to read. A year and a half ago she could not read one character; now she is able to read her Bible in a very satisfactory manner. One evening, as we were conducting our worship, she and her husband asked if she might be baptized this fall. There are prospects of more applicants there; but no definite statements have been given thus far by those concerned. Others are counting the cost, but are not yet willing to pay the price. Pray for them, that they may be made willing.

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One of our aged Christians, living about fifteen miles from Yu Hsien, was called home to his Master, just about four or five days before our arrival. We were told that a short time before his death he said, "Jesus is by my side, waiting to receive my spirit." He also told his sister-in-law that she could not be saved until she gave up her sin of gambling. Here we held a little service, and at the close had prayer. The courtyard was full of people, and in spite of the fact that many had never heard a service of this kind, there was a deep spirit of reverence on the part of both adults and children.

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The community around Yu Hsien seems to be an open one, with all absence of opposition to the message of our Lord. Those who have worked here in previous years have done much to make this possible. There are many children in the community, and a Sunday-school has been started for these children with the Chinese evangelist there in charge.

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Since Sister Ruth Ulrey will be able to give half time to the work this next year she and Sister Minneva Neher have divided the Shou Yang women's work, which has been more than one worker could handle efficiently. Sister Ulrey is taking over the country evangelistic work, which will make it possible for Sister Neher to give full time to the city and near-by villages.

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The early part of the month a little evening worship hour was begun for the illiterate women who live in the compound here and who get little from the regular church services. The purpose is to help those who are Christians to draw closer to their Lord, and those who are not Christian to learn to know what the Lord Jesus means to their barren lives. Part of the time is used to teach them to sing, and they are entering into this part of the service with a genuine joy.

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Liao Chou

Mrs. I. E. Oberholtzer

One of our former graduates and assistant kindergarten teacher was married to the keeper of the prison, and now lives in the official court. This is the first one of our local girl graduates to marry into official circles. Another one of our graduates of this year was married to a young man to whom she was engaged from birth. The girl's home has gradually increased in wealth, but that of the bridegroom has decreased. The girl's father has become a Christian, but the home of the bridegroom is anti-foreign and anti-Christian. According to Chinese custom the old engagement could not be broken.

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The hospital in-patients continued to average over twenty during the past two summer months. The gatehouse has been revised and an addition built, making it now a desirable place to receive and register patients. The steward will spend much of his time here. The gateman has been dispensed with.

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The continued heavy rains caused between fifty and sixty feet of the seventy-foot embankment wall of the cart and auto road, running along the east wall of the hospital compound, to go down. This wall was built during the famine of 1921 by the Red Cross. Thirty feet of the west wall to the hospital compound also went down, and a small section of wall in another place is down. The west wall of the rooms of the house occupied by a nurse's family, had to be torn down as the earth was settling and these walls were giving way.

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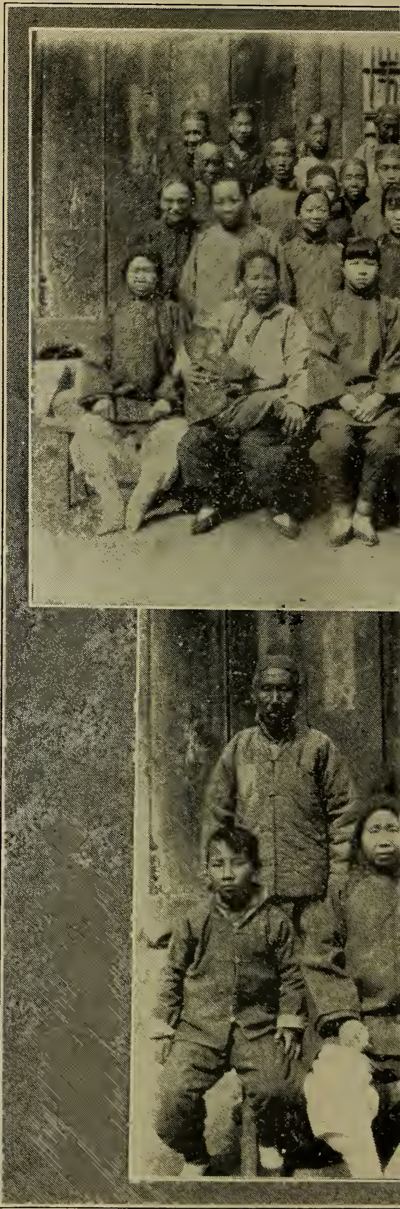
While the rains make country work difficult, the evangelists were called into the Liao station for a two weeks' Bible Normal. Bro. Oberholtzer had daily classes in "Personal Evangelism," and "The Doctrines of the Church of the Brethren Defended." Pastor Chang presented the "Teachings, Merits and Defects of the Five Religions of China." The evangelists report they received a great deal of helpful instruction.

Ping Ting

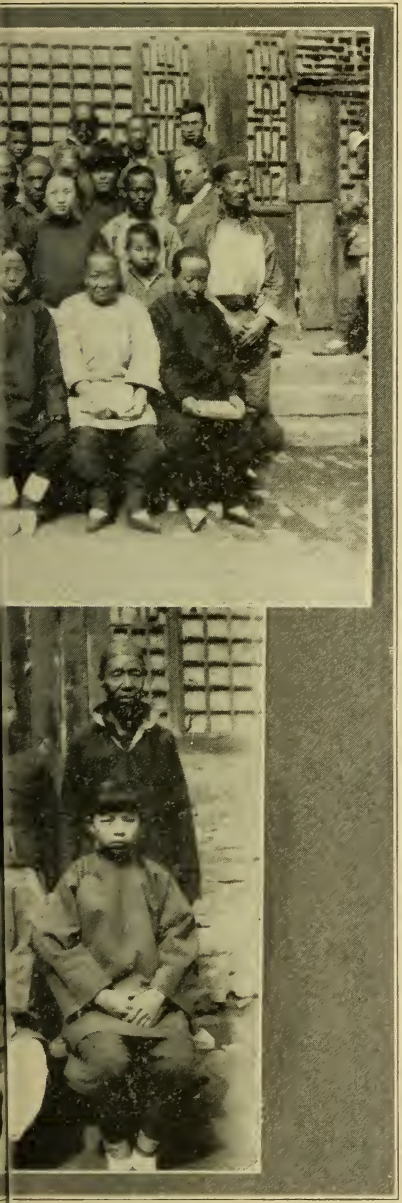
F. H. Crumpacker

Mrs. Lulu Ullom Coffman passed away at Peking Union Medical Hospital, Aug. 30, 1928. The readers of the Visitor will remember her first as a granddaughter of the late Eld. Daniel Vaniman. She spent one term as an unmarried worker. Then, while home on regular furlough, she was married to Dr. Carl F. Coffman, and a year and a half ago they came back to China. They landed when the confusion was at the worst in north China and she did not return to her work in Shansi. Her husband was back for several months' turn at his work. She improved her time by studying in the Union Language School in Peking.

On Aug. 9 a son was born to them and he did well from the beginning. His mother did not do well, and after three operations and attempts to save her she left her loved ones. Fortunately she was cared for in the hospital in Peking. This place is as good as China has, and probably it ranks well with hospitals in all the world. Human skill could not save her, and she was laid to rest in the new cemetery near Yen Ching University in Peking. Heaven gains a beautiful spirit, but the China mission loses two valuable workers. Lulu is remembered by many of the Chinese, for though she was in China but one term of service she labored in three of our stations. Pray for the bereaved husband and children and loved ones of her home folks.



Above. Attendance at Le Pin
Below. Converts at Le Ping, spring of 192
row, first at left, man 58 years old.



hina, communion, spring, 1928
aptized by Bro. F. H. Crumpacker. Back
t row, middle, his wife, 48 years old

Dr. Carl F. Coffman was the only American doctor on the field, and now he is leaving us and so we will have to put more dependence on our Chinese doctors. Who is ready to come and take up the work laid down by these dear ones?

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Recently in one of the Ping Ting outstations we had baptisms. This time there were eight dear ones added to the church: one grandmother aged 70, a grandfather aged 56, and then others down till the youngest was 16. This was an ambitious girl. She had had no chance at education, and at this age she is starting in to get a workable knowledge of the Chinese characters and primary lessons. The grandmother seemed to be about the happiest one of the lot, for she remarked at the time of her baptism that she had felt she was too old to become a Christian, but now she had made it and had literally passed through the gate that made her a Christian. She went away happy the next day to her mountain home.

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There have been several weddings and one especially happy one was that of a young man of 29 and a young lady of 22. They are leading workers in our schools. The young man is principal of the boys' school here, and since their marriage the young lady has become a teacher in our girls' school. Their wedding was as nearly free from any of the old customs of the Chinese non-Christian weddings as one could well expect. Their friends gave them many nice presents, and according to Chinese custom the groom gave his bride several nice presents before the wedding.

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Two of our young men have entered special training for preaching work at one of our neighboring schools. These are from our very best, and we look forward to good results from their study in the future.

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Our Junior Middle School has reached the hundred mark in enrollment. That is a larger enrollment than last year. We could have many more if we had the room, but our place for sleeping and our classrooms are absolutely crowded to the limit. Some were turned away. The primary schools also are full, and we are happy in the outlook.

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Sept. 8 the Bright family and Sister Horning arrived at Ping Ting Chow from their regular furlough in America. All, both Chinese and foreigners, are happy to have them back with us.

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A special Bible class is being held at our street reading room, and it bids well to bring some into the church. The interest is exceptionally good. We will say more of this later. Word comes that Tai Yuan Fu has some applicants for baptism, which means that a minister from one of our other stations must go and take care of the work in the absence of the M. M. Myers family, who regularly work there.

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AFRICA

Garkida

Lola Helser

From Nkerna Bro. Helser moved the tent to Dzika for a week's evangelistic meetings there and in the surrounding villages. It had been planned that Sister Shisler do the work at Dzika, but slight illness prevented. There are quite a large number of young people in that neighborhood who are eager to learn more about Jesus, but the parents try every way to prevent them, especially so in the case of young women. A faithful group built themselves a small church at Dzika.

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Sister Harper spent a week in special evangelistic efforts at Wiaku Kwatikar. She also directed a native Christian's work at the Upper Wiaku. There are several Christians at both places and the interest was unusually good. The mother of five children, who had made her stand for Christ last month, lives at Wiaku Kwatikar. Sister Harper made special efforts to reach the women of the village.

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On Aug. 12 twelve more were added to the church through baptism. Matagi and her husband and a young girl by the name of Kubali were in the group. All of the group have been in regular classes for Christian instruction for considerable time, and they have been faithful in their class work as well as in their Christian living. Not only their interest in the class but their everyday life counts. May they be found faithful in the work of saving others.

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Twenty-five more stood up for Christ during July and August. This includes the headman and two others from Nkerna and the wife of a Christian man from Wiaku Kwatikar. Two baptized young men and two young women who have accepted Christ, about to be married, publicly stated their purpose to live up to the Christian principle of monogamy and of being faithful to each other throughout life. It was a simple consecration service. We look forward to Christian marriages in the near future. The government requires that a building be licensed for this purpose.

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The Boys' School opened on July 23, and the Girls' School two weeks later. When the mission was being established, neither the boys nor girls nor their parents could see any reason for school other than as a matter of curiosity. Now the younger generation are beginning to realize that they have a work to do for which they need training. They are realizing that in order to obey the commands of Christ they must be able to read his Word; that in order to help save their people they must first know Christ themselves. Because of this new incentive becoming manifest, one finds greater joy in the school work from year to year. The Bible training that the American children get in the home and the Sunday-school they get in the school and in the evening Christian classes.

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It might be of interest to our friends to know that we are having some little success with fruits. Our first attempt was to plant some of the tropical fruits, such as bananas and pawpaws, near the mission buildings. In the dry season water was carried to them from the river a quarter of a mile away. Then Dr. Burke's made the experiment of planting them on the river bank where there is the advantage of proximity to water. Now we have more than a hundred stalks of bananas beginning to give us delicious fruit. It seems to take pineapples several years to produce, as we have realized only two as yet. The pawpaws are our fresh fruit standby. A garden huckleberry has just been introduced. Guavas promise much for the future. The river gardens make it possible, with special effort on our part, to have tomatoes and perhaps other vegetables some of the dry season. We have had a few grapefruit from a tree near the mission buildings. With a couple of years' fertilization of the soil our wet-season gardens are proving successful. Irish potatoes and the problem of storage in hot weather are problems yet to be solved.

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The medical work is being carried on in the one native ward, awaiting the completion of the Ruth Royer Kulp Memorial Hospital. It was put under roof before the rains. There is yet much work to be done, including the ceilings, doors and windows. The new ward is an improvement over the old hospital, but it is not built for operative and laboratory work. As Dr. Barnden of Vom Hospital, Nigeria, says, "It is most unsatisfactory dressing, shall we say, post-operative cataract cases amid smoke and dust in grass-roofed huts." There were 182 and 181 new cases in July and August, respectively. Over 2,000 treatments during each of the two months included ulcer, eye, fever, skin disease, rheumatism, intestinal parasite, and leper treatments. There were seven major and twenty-three minor operations perations performed; 352 of the treatments were given in outlying villages. The message of salvation is being given along with the native pepper liniment, the sulphur ointment, and the surgeon's knife.

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We are looking forward to the coming of Brethren Bonsack and Emmert. By the time this reaches you they should be with us.

They will be able to help us much in planning the work here. The Congo Conference and their visit to other missions will give them first-hand contact with mission work being done among the peoples of Africa.

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Our hearts were saddened by the death of one of the native Christians. It was not that sadness one experiences when the unsaved die. Bandi's wife made her stand for Christ a couple of months ago. She became very sick with pneumonia, and just when she had about regained her usual strength a dear baby girl came to cheer their home. Two days later the mother became seriously ill and died when the wee one was only four days old. The baby is being cared for by a relative, one of the missionaries preparing the feedings. The Christian husband has been very brave, even amid the scoffing of their people. We believe that it has strengthened the faith and hope of the Christians.

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Capt. Skelley, our local district officer, spent a day with us recently. He plans to return shortly for the purpose of building a road from Garkida to Song, some sixty miles south of here. At Song it will connect with a road leading in one direction to the Yola provincial headquarters and in the opposite direction past a point near our station in Margi. Up to this time practically all the travel between Garkida and Dille has been made over rough and narrow bush paths. This will make it possible to use the motor road almost the entire distance, although it is a bit farther than by bush path. Before the missionaries came here a road had been built to Garkida and stopped straight off in the bush. We are thankful for this promised convenience.

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We have mentioned from time to time that the church has been growing in numbers. She is also growing in works. You may be interested to know some of the things which she is doing. If you could visit twelve villages besides Garkida each Sunday you would hear an evangelistic message in each village. Four of the villages have the privilege of Bible and reading classes three afternoons a week. There are six Christian training classes at the station, three of these being taught by the more experienced native Christians. The church meets for prayer each Friday evening. She helps supply evangelistic workers for the hospital patients. Besides her Conference offering and paying her expenses, including lantern upkeep, village teachers, song books, lovefeast expenses, etc., the church has given twenty-five dollars to help buy medicines, as well as having paid for the erection of chapels at the other two stations.

Dr. Robertson returned from a week's trek to Dille. Dr. Gibbel spent a couple of days at Gardemna.

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Gardemna Station

Earl W. Flohr

This season was hard on the Bura farmers. The rains came late and then not regularly. The early plantings of corn were eaten to the ground by a green worm which the Buras call "badim." Many farmers replanted three or four times.

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About the first of May we began a little school on the compound. In June of 1927 formal request was made to the government to open a school at Gardemna. Until that comes through we dare not exceed ten people under instruction. The native Christians around the compound make up that number. So our efforts are necessarily limited. A session includes opening devotions, teaching of hymns, and reading and writing.

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Even though until government permission comes we white people dare not begin to teach on a large scale, a native may teach natives in any number. So our boys began to teach in the church which the natives built down in the village. At first many came out of curiosity, but later sifted down to about twenty, who mean business, including mostly men, women, and boys.

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About the middle of June great rejoicing came to us. Ten people of the village here came out on the Lord's side. They had come one by one during the previous six weeks and asked to make confession of their sins, but we had advised them to think it through thoroughly and be sure they really meant to follow Jesus and endure the persecution which would come. All had earlier been admitted to classes, where they were taught the meaning of confessing one's sins and turning toward Jesus. Finally they came in a group one evening and said they wanted to make public confession and take their covenant the following Sunday. This group included two women, one middle-aged man, who next to the local chief is the most important man in the village, five young men and two boys. The fine spiritual way in which Mallott started the work here and the earnest efforts of the young native Christian, Hyelandika, who was baptized in January at Garkida, together with the Lord's richest blessings, are responsible for this ingathering. Pray now for these good people, that they may grow into Christians of large stature and great service.

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During the two months of May and June we were happy to have visits on four different occasions by Dr. Burke, the Robertsons, the Helsers, and the Kulps, respectively.

These visits, together with Dr. Robertson's regular medical tour every two weeks, mean a great deal to our family down here.

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During July our young Christians divided up the villages within our reach and now regular services are held in each of them, nine in number, south of the Hawal River within a radius of ten miles of Gardemna. The eagerness of some of these young Christians to tell the gospel story would surprise you. If you folks back home—some energetic young people's class for instance—want to do some service for us right now, get about five or six of the large picture charts (containing twelve or thirteen pictures each), which have been discarded by the children's department of your Sunday-school. Get together and have a pasting party. Cut off the entire margin to the edge of the colored picture, even the text in English. Take a quantity of muslin and cut it into pieces exactly as wide as the pictures and about six inches longer than the pictures. Then paste the pictures on the cloth with a good quality of paste, leaving the extra margin of cloth at the top. Our young men who know the Bible stories can take such a chart, and preach a mighty good sermon. Mail them direct by parcel post to Gardemna, via Jos and Damaturu, Nigeria, W. Africa. See parcel post regulations elsewhere in this issue.

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The medical work is steadily growing. The people are becoming less afraid of the white man's medicine. Our treatments during July ran around 300. Ten patients were finally persuaded to go to the hospital at Garkida for operations or treatment which required trained medical skill. One day an old woman came with a tropical ulcer on her back more than six inches in diameter, and with an odor which could be smelled more than that many feet away. The manner in which these people bear suffering is indeed stoical.

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Persecution has begun. The old dyed-in-the-wool Bura fathers can't let go of their polygamy and beer without a protest. Several boys and young men who took the covenant were beaten with bamboo canes. Another was forced to leave off following Jesus, and made to drink beer by force and swear allegiance to his wicked "mdirki" or master. To prevent a young woman from following Jesus a band of men from across the Hawal River came and took her away by night. The story of Pindar's captivity and escape might interest you, but space here forbids. You might see it later somewhere. The devil is doing his worst, but through your prayers and the Lord's might right will triumph.

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The first week in August another group of five made their covenant to follow Jesus: one middle-aged woman, mother of a large family, her son and another young man, and two boys. This woman's husband is near the kingdom, too, but we think he fears the sneers of his old cronies too much. Pray for him. This makes a total of nineteen at this station who have publicly accepted Christ as their Savior. Your prayers and our prayers have been answered. Let us keep on praying!

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Margi Field

H. S. Kulp

Lassa via Maiduguri, Nigeria, W. Africa, is now the proper address for our station in the Margi field. The site has been changed from Dille to Lassa because the water supply at the former place was not sufficient.

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In one section of the Dille village an epidemic of yaws was discovered. The doctor successfully treated some twenty people, and now there is practically no trace of the disease. This has greatly enhanced the mission in the eyes of the people. Yaws is a disease in which the whole body becomes covered with ugly sores and ulcers. However, the cure is very rapid. It is miraculous in the eyes of the native. In a week after treatment the ulcers and sores have practically all dried up.

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Early in June we had our first baptism at Lassa. A young man, a Bura, who is employed as a cook boy, was received into the church. Later on, in August, the wife of Risku, the hospital assistant, entered the class of inquirers. So one by one the "living stones" are being put into the building which is His church.

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The Margi population is beginning to respond. A class of eight men are meeting several times a week for religious instruction and learning to read. Mrs. Kulp also has a class of women. We praise the Lord for these men and women.

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On Aug. 13 school was reopened for the boys. Although the farm work is still quite heavy there have been quite a number who attend regularly. Pilesar, one of the first Christians to be baptized at Garkida, does most of the teaching in the school.

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The topic of conversation in the Dille the past few days has been "elephants." Elephants have come and are destroying their grain. As each family has a farm of only a few acres, if the elephants happen to come upon any particular farm, the food supply for a year is gone. Men are out with drums and horns, spears and bows, trying to drive away the destroyers.

The Workers' Corner

The editor invites helpful contributions for this department of the Visitor

Missionary News

Baptisms in China

Sister Emma Horning, one of our pioneer missionaries to China, recently returned to the field from her furlough, and in a good, encouraging letter writes that one of the first trips she made was to Taiyuanfu, the capital of the province in which we work. Seventeen were baptized on the occasion of her visit. These converts were largely the result of work done by Chinese Christians, as no missionaries have been engaged at Taiyuanfu for two years. Of course the missionaries who were there previously laid splendid foundations. Six converts were women from good homes. Sister Horning stayed with a Bible woman two days and had a good visit with her. She was once an official's wife, but her husband and child died. In her sorrow she twice attempted suicide. Sister Horning invited her to come to the Bible School, and soon after coming she became a Christian and has put her whole heart into the work. She is now working among the official class as well as others. She and other Christians have testified to God's answers to prayer, especially for healing.

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Dr. and Mrs. Burke Make Sudden Return From Africa

Early in September Sister Burke, missionary to Africa, commenced to feel ill, and by the middle of the month the illness assumed serious proportions. Sept. 23 she and Dr. Burke left the field and were exceedingly fortunate in securing immediate ship passage and made a record trip from Dille, Nigeria, to New York in five weeks. Four days later Sister Burke was in Bethany Hospital, Chicago, convalescing from a serious operation. Latest reports indicate that she is progressing splendidly.

La Verne Conference Aid Society Sales

The various Aid Societies in the Brotherhood sent articles which they had made to the La Verne Conference for sale there. Mrs. Levi Minnich, who was the treasurer, sent $334.31 to the General Mission Board, representing the proceeds from the sale of the articles at Conference.

In addition to this she sent $146.26, representing the loose-in-the-hat offering taken up at the La Verne Conference Aid Society meeting.

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Peter's Creek Juniors Earn $25

The money was made in different ways by the children. All live on farms except one little girl. This little girl was very eager to make some money for this project, and wondered what she could do. A small space was given her in her mother's garden, and there she grew cucumbers and sold them and ran a few errands for a neighbor and brought her offering of $2.10.

One little girl, four and a half years old, made one dollar peeling onions for market.

Some made their money picking strawberries. A bunch of splendid boys raised plants for market and did odd jobs about the farm. May God bless each one of these children and this money as it goes on its mission of love and helpfulness.

As a leader of this Junior work it has been a joy to my heart, as I noted the eagerness of these boys and girls to do something for the Master.

Mrs. John Showalter.

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Medical Work in Africa

One of the missionaries writing from our Africa field says the medical work is expanding. "We are having a big leper clinic twice a week. A new preparation, alepol, is furnished free by the British Leper Association and they hope to stamp out the disease in the British empire. It is very effective. We have twenty-five lepers now receiving biweekly injections. One of the boys working for the mission had a start of leprosy some time ago, and it suddenly began to increase. He is one of the twenty-five under treatment."

Covina School of Missions

The Covina church, of Southern California, has a nine weeks' church school of missions which began the 24th of October. In the school they are taking up each of our mission fields, giving time to China, India, and Africa. They are using missionaries near by to help them. One purpose of the school is to acquaint the members of the church with the situation on each of our mission fields and the methods which the missionaries are using in achieving results.

Juniata Park, Pennsylvania, Young People Give Missionary Play

The B. Y. P. D. of Juniata Park rendered the play, "A Stitch in Time." The proceeds of the play amounted to $65 which they promptly remitted for use in the 1928 Young People's Project, the evangelistic work in India. Though the Juniata Park church is not large, the young people took a very splendid interest, and succeeded very well. The director of the group was Mrs. C. B. Ling.

Testimony from Southern Indiana

A good sister sends $4 for mission work to be used to the best advantage. She says she feels that she has not been supporting this great cause as she should, and hopes to do more in the future. She believes that if we would all give as God prospers us our missionary cause would not suffer for lack of funds.

The Junior Missionary Book

The new book entitled, "In the African Bush," by Hutton, is being very well received by Junior mission study classes. A teacher from Indiana writes: "We think it is the best Africa mission study we ever saw for children." Another writes saying they have just finished the book and the children are anxious to know more of Africa and are wanting an illustrated lecture. The Board has a very good set on Africa prepared a couple of years ago and if it has not been shown in your church it would be fine. The rental price is $2.00 and the return transportation. If an offering is received for missions at the time the pictures are shown the rental fee is cancelled.

Other slide sets available on the same terms are India, China, The Missionary Character of Christianity, The Greene County School, and Friends of Many Firesides, the latter a set especially for children.

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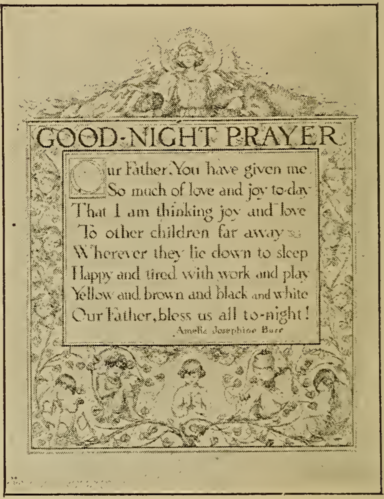

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Our Father, You have given me
So much of love and joy to-day
That I am thinking joy and love
To other children far away
Wherever they lie down to sleep
Happy and tired with work and play
Yellow and brown and black and white
Our Father, bless us all to-night!

Amelia Josephine Burr

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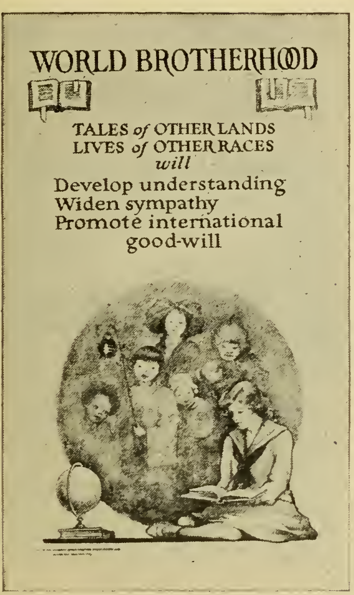

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That really is worth while,
But I can "Merry Christmas" say,
And smile a happy smile.

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Dear God, you know at Christmas time
We're happy as can be,
Please let us help some others
To be as glad as we.

—The Paramount Christmas Book.

"MERRY CHRISTMAS

(For a small boy)

I'm just a tiny little boy,
But I can say to you,
"We wish you Merry Christmas,
We really, truly do."

—The Paramount Christmas Book.

LITTLE LINES FOR LITTLE PEOPLE

I'm not so very big, but still
I'm not so very, very small,
Just big enough to wish you all
A merry, merry Christmas.

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All the boys and girls I see
Are just as happy as can be,
For this is Christmas, full of cheer,
The birth of Jesus, Savior dear.

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Christ was born on Christmas Day,
In a manger far away,
Shepherds came to see him there,
'Neath a star so bright and fair;
Now when bells of Christmas ring,
We will praise the Savior King.

—From "The Holy Night."

GOD WATCHES OVER HIS OWN

Once to every man and nation
Comes the moment to decide,
In the strife of truth with falsehood,
For the good or evil side.
By the light of burning martyrs
Jesus' bleeding feet I track,
Toiling up new Calvaries ever
With the cross that turns not back.

Though the cause of evil prosper,
Yet this truth alone is strong;
Though her portion be the scaffold,
And upon the throne be wrong;
Yet that scaffold sways the future,
And, behind the dim unknown,
Standeth God within the shadow,
Keeping watch above his own.

—Lowell.

SONG—CHRISTMAS DAY

(Tune: America the Beautiful)

O Christmas Day, for joy and mirth,
For friends and loved ones dear;
The day of all the days the best
And happiest of the year.

Chorus—

O Christmas Day, loved Christmas Day,
To us you'll ever be
A day so dear, both far and near,
On land and on the sea.

O Christmas Day, our happy hearts,
Are filled with joy untold,
We'll sing about the wondrous star
The shepherds saw of old.

Chorus—

On Christmas Day in Bethlehem,
Christ in a manger lay,
He brought us Peace, Good-will to Men,
We honor him today.

A CHRISTMAS FAIRY

(For a little girl carrying a large empty basket)

I swing my basket to and fro,
'Twas full a little while ago.
My mama sent me down to bring
Old Mrs. Brown some Christmas things.
She laughed and cried and said: "You dear,
The good Lord must have sent you here."

Song: "O Little Town of Bethlehem," or other Christmas song.

LITTLE LIGHTS FOR JESUS

(Primary Exercise)

Child One:
Light came to the world at Christmas
When the Christ Child came to earth;
It's been shining down the ages
Since the day of Jesus' birth.

Child Two:
I would like to shine for Jesus
As the days go quickly by;
In my play-time and my work-time
I shall lift my wee light high!

Child Three:
Jesus loved the little children,
So we mean to shine for him;
I think Jesus would be sorry
If our lights were low and dim.

Unison:
Were's a row of shining candles,
And to Jesus we would pray
That our lights may shine more brightly
As we live from day to day.

Shining, shining through the darkness
For the little Christmas Child;
May we keep our lights all burning
For our Savior, meek and mild.

Directions

Child One comes in with lighted candle, going slowly to the platform (center). Recites her stanza.

Child Two carries unlighted candle but lights it at the candle of Child Number One, steps back of, and past her, and gives her lines.

Child Three then comes in with unlighted candle, lights it at Number One, and standing at her side, recites her stanza.

The last two stanzas are given in unison, children speaking quite slowly and distinctly.

—From "The Holy Night" Christmas Service, published by The Glad Tidings Pub. Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind.

CHRISTMAS HEART

Beside my couch an angel stood
Like a slender birch in a gloomy wood,
And, while I hearkened, he softly said,
As he sagely nodded his haloed head,
"Lad, you may choose from the gifts I bear
What you would be having, but choose with care,
For what you are taking is yours to keep
Till your years are done and you know Death's sleep."

Amid the shadows that veiled my bed
I saw all the things of my dreams outspread:
A host of jewels and gleaming gold,
A Midas treasure for my hands to hold;
And, as I studied this luring wealth,
I saw gray wisdom, long years and health,
But, turning from these with a sudden start,
I chose me the gift of the Christmas heart.

The angel queried, "Lad, do you know
That you have chosen to share the woe
Of all who suffer, that you will give
Yourself for others the while you live?"
And, as I watched him with starry eyes
He smiled and murmured, "You have been wise,
For in your choosing to give and bless,
Lo, you have chosen true happiness!"

—Edgar Daniel Dramer, in The Christian Herald.

CHRISTMAS WISHES

I've wished that I had seen the sky
On that first Christmas morn;
And heard the song of angel throng

When the little King was born;
Or traveled far led by a star
To where the Christ-Child lay;
And offered there rich gifts and rare
As I knelt to praise and pray.

Why wish that way? For every day,
He is born in the hearts of men;
And glorious, bright, his holy light
Shines on their way again!
Still we may bring to Christ, our King,
Rich gifts of love today;
And at his feet, in homage sweet
Our tribute to him pay!
—Ruth Inscho, in Christian Herald.

WHEN JESUS WAS A LITTLE CHILD

(By Junior boy with a strong voice)

When Jesus was a little Child,
His life was pure and true;
And as he gained in years, he grew
In grace and wisdom, too.

Around the hills of Nazareth
He played, as boys delight;
He loved the lilies of the field
And watched the song bird's flight.

He made his earthly parents glad
By loving, helpful ways;
No selfish word nor angry look
Stained those sweet childhood days.

He loved his Heav'nly Father's house.
The temple of the Lord;
With psalm and precept, Bible words
His memory was stored.

How glad I am my Savior once
Was a little Child like me!
I'll pray sincerely for his help,
His own dear child to be.
—Taken from Home and Foreign Fields.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

(For a very small child)

There's a very special errand
That I have come to do,
It's to wish a "Merry Christmas"
To you, and you, and you!

A LITTLE CHRISTMAS SECRET

Christmas is a time of secrets,
So I'll whisper one to you;
Grandpa says that all who try it
Find that every word is true.
"Would you have a happy day?
Give some happiness away."

Grandpa says this little secret
Should be carried through the year;
And if all would try to heed it,
Earth would soon be full of cheer.
"Would you have a happy day?
Give some happiness away!"
—From Home and Foreign Fields.

PLAYING SANTA CLAUS

I'm going to play I'm Santa Claus!
It must be lots of fun
To go around with books and toys
And gifts for everyone.

Of course he has a reindeer sleigh
And travels round by night,
While I will have to go on foot,
And only while it's light.

But there are several children round
To whom I'd like to give,
For Santa doesn't seem to know
Exactly where they live.

I have so many pretty things,
I think I ought to spare
A few to give to other folks
Who never get a share.

And so I'll play I'm Santa Claus,
And give some toys away,
So every child will surely find
A gift on Christmas Day.
—From Home and Foreign Fields.

JESUS

(For five tiny tots. Each child carries a banner made of white crepe paper, decorated with red crepe paper in the center. At the top of the red paper is a star of gold, shining, as it were, above a large gilt initial. The banner is suspended from a narrow rod. The children hold it by means of a cord attached to the rod.)

J J stands for Jesus, our Savior and King,
E E for the east where the carol did ring,
S S for the shepherds who heard the refrain,
U U for the untold joy of that strain,
S S for the star o'er a stable so drear,
Holding a baby, of all the most dear.
"Thou shalt call his name Jesus."
—The Paramount Christmas Book, No. 4.

WOULDN'T YOU?

I'd like to tell the story sweet
Of Jesus. Wouldn't you?
To help some other folks to meet
Their Savior. Wouldn't you?
I'd like to travel all the way
To where I'd hear my Jesus say:
"You've helped my work along today."
I'd like that. Wouldn't you?

I'd like to help somebody know
Of God's love. Wouldn't you?
I'd like to guide their steps, to show
The true way. Wouldn't you?
I'd like to spread the word of cheer,
To brighten lives that may be drear,
To help the struggling hearts to hear
God's own word. Wouldn't you?
—The Paramount Missionary Book.

RECITATION FOR CHRISTMAS

Do you wish you could keep your watch by night,
Like the shepherds of Bethlehem?
Do you wish you could see a glory light,
As it shone in the sky for them?
Have you kept your watch in the fields afar,
Where the heathen in darkness dwell?
Have you watched in the east for the rising star
That shall lead to Immanuel?
Have you seen how the gospel of God's good will
Is spreading through heathen climes?
Have you heard how they call on the Lord until
It is sweet as the angel chimes?
I tell you the Christmas glory now
Is a thousand times more bright
Than the glory that shone so long ago
On the first glad Christmas night.
The earth shall be full of the knowledge of God!
It is blessedly drawing near!
And peace on earth, good will to men,
Shall come with the Lord's New Year.

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HIS STAR

Seven points hath the Christmas star;
One is the love that shines afar
From God to man; and one is the love
That leaps from the world to the Lord above;
And one is good-will on the happy earth;
And one is purity, one is peace,
And two are the joys that never cease—
God's joy,
Man's joy—
Aflame in the star of the wonderful birth.

And the light of God's love is a golden light,
And man's love to man is crimson bright,
And man's love to God is an azure ray—
Alas, when it flickers and dies away!
And the seven rays through the worshiping night
Like the flash of all jewels, exult and play—
God's joy,
Man's joy—
Yet they shine as one, and the star is white.

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CHRISTMAS CHOICES

A Sunday School Teacher

Tell me, dear children, if you had lived
In beautiful Bethlehem town,
When the Savior left his heavenly home
And to our earth came down,
What part you would like to have taken then
In the joyous welcoming,
When shining star and singing host
Proclaimed the birth of a King?

Three Boys

We would like to have been the Wise Men three,
Who traveled from lands afar,
And came to the place where Jesus was
By the light of the guiding star.
But we need not travel today as far
As the Wise Men did of old,
To seek the place where the Lord abides,
For he lives in our hearts, we're told.

A Fair Little Girl Looking Upward

I should like to have been the beautiful star,
That shone so pure and bright,
And showed them the way where the Christ-Child lay,
On that first glad Christmas night.
But I can be now a beautiful star,
And guide other feet to him,
If I love him and pray to our Father each day,
That my light may never grow dim.

One Boy

I would like to have gathered with others there
In his birthplace strange and wild,
And offered my gifts of gold and myrrh
To the beautiful Holy Child.
But I can seek him, and give him today
An offering better far,
For a warm and loyal youthful heart
Is better than treasures are.

Several Boys

We should like to have been the shepherds good,
Who heard the angels say,
While the heavenly glory shone around,
"Your Savior is born today."
But we can set ringing the Christmas bells
And bid all the earth be gay,
Because of the message the angel brought
Long ago, on that Christmas Day.

One Boy

I should like to have been on that starlit night
A faithful shepherd boy,
To have heard, as I tended the little lambs,
The angels' song of joy.
But if I am always a faithful boy,
And bring little lambs to his fold,
I shall hear, in my heart, the angels sing
A song that shall never grow old.

A Group of Boys and Girls

We should like to have been with the heavenly host
Who sang in the midnight still,
"Glory to God in the highest be,
And peace, and to men good will."
But today we can carol the same glad song,
In a chorus so loud and clear,
That the echoes shall travel till all the world
Of this wonderful Savior shall hear.

—Taken from Home and Foreign Fields.

WHEN THE STAR SHONE

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led them to the place where the Christmas trees were with the Star above. "Surely, now," they thought, "the Christmas Star will shine and the trees glisten with light"; but the Star did not shine and the trees were dark.

Child (sadly): Now we have brought all the children. Why does the star not shine? Why are the trees still dark?

Spirit of Christmas: Many years ago, when the Christmas angel came to earth there shone a great light as he said to the shepherds: "Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which shall be to ALL people." Where are the rest of the children? There are only a few here. The shining of the Christmas Star and the glistening of the Christmas trees are for ALL. (Children look at each other questioningly.)

Child: There are children in many other lands—in China.

2nd Child: And Japan.
3rd Child: And India.
4th Child: And Korea.
5th Child: And Africa.
6th Child: And Scandinavia.

All together: Shall we bring all the children of the world?

Spirit of Christmas: The Angel said that the Christmas message was for ALL the people.

(Children go out. All of those who had been brought in before go with them)

Reader: Then the children went out to find all the children of the world. Into every land on the earth they went and brought all the children. Into bark huts in Africa for the little brown children, into tents for the Indian children, into lovely paper houses for the Japanese children, into the houses of ice and snow for the Eskimo children, into all the houses of earth they went to find the children of the world. Then they came gladly back, for, surely, now the Christmas Star would shine and the trees would glisten with light.

Reader: As they surrounded the trees the children pointed to the Star so that the children they had brought could see where it was, for it was very dark (children point), and suddenly the Star shone and the trees glistened with light.

Then the hearts of all the children were filled with the joy of Christmas.

Spirit of Christmas sings, with the children joining in full chorus on capitalized words:

Oh, the World is full of Children
And their little feet have trod,
Weary paths to upraised altars
Of some unknown lifeless God.
Shall we tell them of our Savior?
Jesus loves the children's praise,
And his love will bring a glory
To the darkness of our days.

Chorus

"All the children of the World"
TELL THEM OF JESUS.
Let his banner be unfurled—
TELL THEM OF JESUS.
We will conquer in his name,
And his matchless love proclaim,
To the children, all the children,
ALL THE CHILDREN OF THE WORLD.

Oh, the World is full of children.
Let them weave a diadem
Clasping hands across the ocean
For the Christ of Bethlehem.
Crown him King of all the nations.
Our adored and risen Lord,
While the children of all nations
Shout his name with glad accord.

Chorus

Exit Spirit of Christmas, children and reader to reserved seats.

Offering for Missions may be taken at this time, the children having been prepared weeks in advance to make a real offering of money or other gifts at this time.

After the offering a group of very small children dressed in white may sing "Luther's Cradle Hymn." A group of the children in foreign costume may come forward and sing to the same tune:

Away in the darkness,
No light for our way:
We children are waiting
A glad Christmas day.
We need the Lord Jesus;
Oh, send out the word
Until by all people
The story is heard.

Prayer: For the children of the world.

Hymn: "Joy to the World" (to be sung by entire congregation).

Note 1. The suggestions made by Josephine L. Baldwin in The Church School gives the most satisfactory plan for such a lighting effect as is called for.

Two half circles, about five inches in width and five feet in diameter, are made of wood, and ball-bearing casters are screwed underneath. They are to be placed together to form a circle with a strong hinge at one opening which permits the circle to open when the other two ends of the half circle are pulled apart. When the frame is ready, holes must be bored in it in which the trees can be inserted. Usually eight rather slender trees six or eight feet high can be used. These trees, after being put into place, must be trimmed on the inside as gaily as possible. Then, when the circle is closed, green paper can be used to conceal any of the trimmings that would otherwise show. A string should be attached to each side of the open end of the circle long enough to reach to the end of the platform. When the time comes in the story, the persons charged with this duty can pull the strings so quickly that the effect seems really like magic as a line of trees ten feet long comes suddenly into view. The trees after serving this purpose may go with gifts and dinners to the poor.

Note 2. The words and music to the song, "All the Children of the World," may be secured from Literature Headquarters, 844 Drexel Bldg., Philadelphia, Pa., for 10 cents a copy. Or other missionary song may be used.

Note 3. The children who play the story should be seated on front seats during the first part of the program. Some cornetists, from one to five, in white robes may sound the call for the Spirit of Christmas. They may then play a verse of a Christmas carol during the exit and entrances of the children.—From Home and Foreign Fields.

TREASURES FOR THE KING

(This exercise is good, for it includes several groups of children of various sizes. The Spirit of Christmas is an older girl, gowned in white and wearing a silver crown. She has a cluster of tinsel fastened to the left shoulder. A soloist sings at the conclusion of the exercise.)

Group of girls.

We may not have rich gifts to bring
  To Jesus Christ, our Lord and King,
Like Magi, in the long ago,
  But we may love him well, we know.

Christmas Spirit, who enters upon platform while girls are reciting.

Yes, children, you may love him now
  And unto him may gladly bow,
And he will love your gifts tho' small
  For he, you know, is Lord of all.

A group of Beginners enters upon platform. Each one holds part of a long rope of Christmas green to which gold letters are fastened to form "God is love." They stand in front of the Christmas Spirit, who recites:

Even the tiniest child today
  May bring a gift for the Lord alway:
And none is either too great or small
  To answer the call of the Lord of all.

Enter a group of **Juniors.** Each one carries a spray of mistletoe. They take position on platform and recite:

O Spirit of Christmas, we've come to say
  That we have love in our hearts today
For the dear little Baby of royal birth
  Who will one day be King of heaven and earth.

Spirit of Christmas.

Dear children, that is a treasure rare
  To lay at the feet of a Baby fair.
With love in your hearts you will bring unto him
  Great gifts that will never tarnish nor dim.

A group of **Intermediates** enters. Each one holds a holly spray. They take position and then recite:

Fair Spirit of Christmas, today we would give
Our hearts unto Jesus as long as we live;
For he is the King we love and adore
  And he may have all of our earthly store.

Christmas Spirit.

With joy he will take your gift today
  And will cherish it with love alway;
For none can ever give Jesus more
  Than yielded heart and earthly store.

Soloist enters and sings, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear." All join in the fourth stanza.

All pass from platform as a Christmas carol is played.

—From The Paramount Christmas Book, No. 4.

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J. K. MILLER, NEW MISSION BOARD MEMBER

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ested in the young people who are eager for an education but find it hard to make their way. He believes that many of our people could and should provide our schools with funds that will free them from the handicap under which they are laboring.

His appointment to General Mission Board by the recent Conference is but a recognition of the service he has been rendering in a quiet way these years. And by the way, he is a man with a meek and quiet spirit, a quality that makes him doubly valuable in this new service. The church is indeed fortunate to find a business layman of this kind who will give his best effort to the spread of the kingdom.

Bro. Miller is a deacon, and has long been an active Sunday-school worker. He has taught and been superintendent for many years. He was long a trustee of the Old Folks' Home of Iowa and is a trustee of Mount Morris College. You see he has had much experience in church work and will not be a stranger to the many intricate problems his new duties bring to him.

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THE JUNIOR MISSIONARY

Conducted by Aunt Adalyn

So Many Children

Dear Aunt Adalyn: Salaams to all the little boys and girls away off in America. We like to think of you because one of our number is in America with our other "mama." We have a new "mama" now. She says she is the Old Woman Who Lives in a Shoe. She forgot to count us when she took this picture and one of us is absent. Some of us are not very old so we give a lot of work, but yet our bais (Indian care takers) and "mama" like us and help us to keep well and happy. Our own mamas are with Jesus.

Five of our bigger brothers and sisters went to school this year. We have a little kindergarten. We like to play games and do exercises, and we like to work, too. We help to care for each other, carry water, wash our plates after we eat, and do other little errands.

We have a new church to go to each Sunday. We wear dresses that come from America. We would sing to you if you could hear us. We know an English song. We sang it to David Moomaw when he came to see us this week. One verse says, "We love you, we do." We like to sing in our language, "Jesus Loves the Little Children of the World."

Lots of love from

Your brothers and sisters in Umalla Baby Home.

Umalla, Broach District, India.

CHRISTMAS

C heerily the crisp dawn comes;
H appily the old house hums;
R ound the hearth let's sit a while,
I nglenook where grannies smile;
S himmering in gay festoon,
T ripping to a lightsome tune,
M ellow hearts are open wide,
A s their sweetness blooms inside:
S tand, salaam! 'tis Christmastide!

Aunt Adalyn.

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NUTS TO CRACK

Dissected Word

I am composed of nine letters.
My 2, 4, 5, 6, means "hark!"
My 5, 6, 4, 3, is to mix with a spoon.
My 3, 4, 1, 2, is not poor.
My 5, 6, 8, 3, is a heavenly body.
My 7, 4, 5, 6, is a fine rain.
My 7, 8, 9, 6, is an upright pole on a ship.
My 2, 8, 3, 7, means damage.
My 1, 8, 3, 6, is a two-wheeled wagon.
My 2, 4, 5, 9, is the sound of a snake.
My 7, 8, 9, 5, is a Catholic service.
My whole is the reddest day of this month.

Christmas Dinner

1. Yet kur.
2. Rye bran cr.
3. Ed grinss.
4. Reel cy.
5. Dip Gun D.
6. Sever sper.
7. To a top.
8. Cool teach.

(Answers next month)

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NOVEMBER NUTS CRACKED

Dissected Word.—Thanksgiving.
Hidden Word.—Home Missions.

QUICK ACTING QUAKERS

In less than three months the boys and girls of the "Truth Seekers' Sunday School Class," Quakertown Church, Springfield Congregation, S. E. District of Pennsylvania, earned $50.00 for missions. Ten dollars of this amount was sent to our District mission board and the remaining forty dollars is to go to our Greene County, Virginia, Mission. It was earned by selling candy. A great deal of enthusiasm was manifested between the boys and girls during this selling contest. However, two girls won first and second places. At the end of the contest the class gave a playlet entitled "Others," at the Christian Endeavor.

A letter from the boys and girls of the Greene County Mission would be greatly appreciated.

Mrs. Wm. J. Wadsworth, Jr.,
255 Walnut St., Pottstown, Pa. Teacher.

FREDERICK CITY (MD.) JUNIOR AND INTERMEDIATE BOYS.—These young lads earned $49 for the India Medical Work. They earned their money by carrying papers, caddying on the golf links, raising ducks, running errands, and helping in the homes.

MISSIONGRAMS, the monthly news sheet for use of Missionary Committees in local churches is mailed the first of each month. At this time of the year changes occur in the personnel of the committees. Please write to the General Mission Board, Elgin, Ill., giving name of congregation, name of new person to receive Missiongrams and the old name to be removed from the list.

CHERRY GROVE, ILL., BROWN BROTHERS WORKERS. These children spent the summer of 1928 working, earning money to bring the work of the Christian doctor to the children of India. You would probably think they had earned their money by picking cherries, since they come from Cherry Grove, but nothing is reported like this from them at all. They raised chickens, popcorn, and squash.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT

Conference Offering, 1928. As of October 31, 1928, the Conference (budget) offering for the year ending Feb. 28, 1929, stands as follows:

Cash received since March 1, 1928 ....$161,756.90

(The 1928 budget of $389,000 is 41.6% raised, whereas it should be 66.6%.)

Mission Board Treasury Statement. The following shows the condition of mission finances on October 31, 1928:

Income since March 1, 1928	$178,088.44
Income same period last year	177,395.41
Expense since March 1, 1928	195,588.25
Expense same period last year	244,636.08
Mission deficit Oct. 31, 1928	114,904.45
Mission deficit Sept. 30, 1928	116,138.58
Decrease in deficit for October, 1928	1,234.13

October Receipts. Contributions were received during October by funds as follows:

	Receipts	**Total Rec'd since Mar. 1, 1928**
World Wide Missions	$6,745.90	$46,153.50
Student Fellowship Fund 1927-1928	78.00	1,477.22
Aid Societies' Mission Fund—1927	326.50	3,967.09
Home Missions	604.56	1,521.77
Greene Co., Va., Mission	89.67	386.64
Foreign Missions	135.75	1,872.91
Junior League—1928	159.00	662.39
B. Y. P. D.—1928	285.26	1,638.18
Home Missions Share Plan	25.00	385.00
India Mission	558.51	2,179.48
India Native Worker	55.00	410.00
India Boarding School	80.00	599.83
India Share Plan	133.75	2,526.19
Anklesvar Churchhouse	600.00	1,400.00
India Missionary Supports	1,893.62	15,089.77
China Mission	320.70	1,379.31
China Native Worker	17.90	135.69
China Boys' School	22.00	22.00
China Girls' School	25.00	50.00
China Share Plan	31.25	768.09
China Missionary Supports	821.14	10,129.61
Africa Missionary Supports	1,243.21	6,877.22
Africa Mission	185.73	3,396.51
Africa Share Plan	50.00	604.72
Near East Relief	89.12	439.90
General Relief	1.00	3.00
Florida Tornado Relief	196.86	196.86
Student Loan	5.00	11.14
Conference Budget	618.29	55,006.61

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Bowman, Price, and Elsie, Bassett, Va., 1925
Eby, E. H., and Emma, 3503 St. Joseph Ave., St. Joseph, Mo., 1927
Fahnestock, Rev., and Mrs. S. G., 1105 Haight Ave., Portland, Ore., 1927
Haney, R. A., and Irva, Lonaconing, Md., 1925
Rohrer, Ferdie, and Pearl, Jefferson, N. C., 1927
White, Ralph, and Matie, 1206 E. Holston Ave., Johnson City, Tenn., 1923
Barr, Francis and Cora, Albany, Ore., 1928

In Evangelistic Service

Smith, Rev., and Mrs. S. Z., Sidney, Ohio

SWEDEN

Spanhusvagen 38, Malmö Sweden

Graybill, J. F., and Alice, 1911
Buckingham, Ida, 1913

CHINA

Liao Chow, Shansi, China

Hutchison, Anna, 1911
Oberholtzer, I. E., and Elizabeth, 1916
Pollock, Myrtle, 1917
Senger, Nettie M., 1916
Shock, Laura J., 1916

Ping Ting Chow, Shansi, China

Bright, J. Homer, and Minnie, 1911
Crumpacker, F. H., 1908
Flory, Byron M., and Nora, 1917
Flory, Edna R., 1917
Horning, Emma, 1908
Metzger, Minerva, 1910
Schaeffer, Mary, 1917
Wampler, Ernest M., 1918, and Elizabeth, 1922

Show Yang, Shansi, China

Heisey, Walter J., and Sue, 1917
Neher, Minneva J., 1924
Ulery, Ruth F., 1926

On Furlough

*Brubaker, L. S., and Marie, 321 S. 3d, Covina, Calif., 1924
*Clapper, V. Grace, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill., 1917
Cline, Mary E., 832 Cumberland St., Bristol, Va., 1928
Coffman, Dr. Carl, 1921, % Gen. Miss. Board
*Cripe, Winnie, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill.
Crumpacker, Anna, McPherson, Kans., 1908
Horning, Dr. D. L., and Martha, 1919, Elgin, Ill.
*Ikenberry, E. L., and Olivia, 36 Lincoln St., New Haven, Conn.
*Myers, Minor M., and Sara, Bridgewater, Va., 1919
*Seese, Norman A., and Anna, Daleville, Va., 1917
*Smith, W. Harlan, and Frances, 2624 E St., La Verne, Calif., 1920
Sollenberger, O. C., and Hazel, % J. W. Coppock, Tippecanoe City, Ohio, 1919
*Wampler, Dr. Fred J., and Rebecca, Medical College of Va., Richmond, Va., 1913

AFRICA

Gardemna, via Jos and Damaturu, Nigeria, West Africa.

Flohr, Earl W., and Ella, 1926

Garkida, Nigeria, West Africa, via Jos

Beahm, Wm. M., and Esther, 1924
Gibbel, Dr. J. Paul, and Verda, 1926
Harper, Clara, 1926
Heckman, Clarence C., and Lucile, 1924
Helser, Albert D., 1922, and Lola, 1923
Robertson, Dr. Russell L., and Bertha C., 1927
Shisler, Sara, 1926

Lassa, via Maiduguri, Nigeria, West Africa

Kulp, H. Stover, 1922, and Christina, 1927

On Furlough

Burke, Dr. Homer L., and Marguerite, Walkerton, Ind., 1923
*Mallott, Floyd, and Ruth, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill.

INDIA

Ahwa, Dangs, Surat Dist., India

Butterbaugh, Bertha, 1919
Garner, H. P., and Kathryn, 1916

Anklesvar, Broach Dist., India

Grisso Lillian, 1917
Long, I. S., and Effie, 1903
Miller, Sadie J., 1903
Moomaw, I. W., and Mabel, 1923
Woods, Beulah, 1924

Bulsar, Surat Dist., India

Cottrell, Dr. A. R., and Laura, 1913
Mohler, Jennie, 1916
Shumaker, Ida C., 1910

Dahanu Road, Thana Dist., India

Blickenstaff, Verna M., 1919
Ebbert, Ella, 1917
Metzger, Dr. Ida, 1925
Nickey, Dr. Barbara M. 1915
Roop, Ethel, 1926
Swartz, Goldie E., 1916

Jalalpor, Surat Dist., India

Miller, Eliza B., 1900

Vada, Thana Dist., India

Brumbaugh, Anna B., 1919
Ebey, Adam, and Alice, 1900
Kaylor, John I., 1911, and Ina, 1921

Palghar, Thana Dist., India

Alley, Howard L., and Hattie, 1917

Post Umalla, via Anklesvar, India

Miller, Arthur S. B., and Jennie, 1919
Wolf, L. Mae, 1922
Ziegler, Kathryn, 1908

Vyara, via Surat, India

Brooks, Harlan J., and Ruth, 1924
Mow, Anetta, 1917

Burjor Bag, Lunsikui, Navsari, India

Mow, Baxter M., and Anna, 1923

Woodstock School, Landour Mussoorie, U. P., India

Stoner, Susan L., 1927

On Furlough

Blickenstaff, Lynn A., and Mary, 2546 Third Ave., La Verne, Calif., 1920
Blough, J. M., and Anna, 18 Denison St., Hartford, Conn., 1903
*Kintner, Elizabeth, Wenatchee, Wash., 1919
Lichty, D. J., 1902, and Anna, 1912, 3435 Van Buren St., Chicago, Ill.
Royer, B. Mary, Richland, Pa., 1913
Shickel, Elsie N., 2211 Orange Ave. N. W., Roanoke, Va., 1921
Shull, Chalmer, and Mary, Garrett Biblical Institute, Evanston, Ill., 1919
*Wagoner, J. E., and Ellen, Peebles, O., 1919
Widdowson, Olive, Penn Run, Pa., 1912

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